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Coming home to a heroes' welcome

ATLANTIC ROWERS IN THE RECORD BOOKS

By Philip Evans

IT took them 48 days, eight hours and three minutes to row across the Atlantic and into the record books.

They crossed the finishing line in "The Spirit of Corinth" just off Barbados at 8.03pm but didn't arrive in port until around 10.30pm.

Suffering from rowers'claw and a few salt sores, the four intrepid oarsmen from Lyme Regis, looking a bit like outcasts from "Robinson Crusoe", headed straight to a local bar for a cold beer and a slap-up steak meal.

The Corinthians had conquered the Atlantic - the oldest crew ever to do so - and secured their place for ever more in the seafaring folklore of Lyme Regis.

As they were still battling with tough final leg conditions on Sunday afternoon, a crowd of wellwishers, including family members, gathered at the Cobb to cheer their heroes across the finishing line 4,000 miles away in the Caribbean. Later a firework was let off to signify the their safe arrival.

The Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge is recognised as one of the toughest feats achievable by man but The Corinthians - Chris Walters, Elliott Dale, Tony Short and Brian Fletcher, combined age 231 - did it and some.

Leaving La Gomera in the Canary Islands on December 5th, they made a fantastic start and led the field for the first 18 hours. They were hampered after their automatic helm was damaged, dropped down to seventh place but fought back to finish a creditable sixth out of the 11 boats still in the race.

In doing so, they actually rowed 2,645 nautical miles, 54 miles more than the winning boat. Had their automatic steering not been damaged, it is thought they could well have finished as high as third place.

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■ WELLWISHERS, including family members, gathered on the North Wall on Sunday evening to cheer on The Corinthians as they crossed the Atlantic Challenge finishing line in Barbados
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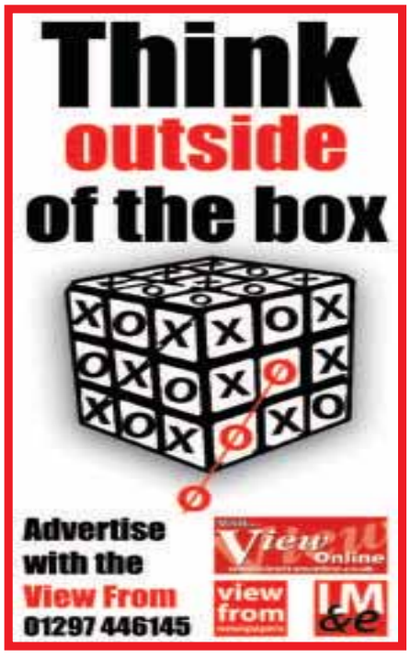

POSTMAN by day and comedian by night, Tom Glover, has just started his second year in stand up comedy.

The former View from Bridport reporter joined the Royal Mail in December in a bid to find a day job that fitted in around his comedy exploits. Gigging since 2010, Tom has appeared at venues from Manchester to Brighton and closer to home is the resident compere of the Bridport Arts Centre's Comedy Cafe.

Tom, 24, has also recently launched his own business The Comedy Circus, running one-off comedy nights in venues across the west country.

Last week Tom appeared on BBC One's Winter Wipeout, crashing out in the first round.

The next BAC Comedy Cafe is this Friday, January 27th at 8pm.

60 SECOND INTERVIEW

■ DID you enjoy your TV debut on Winter Wipeout?
It wasn't too cringeworthy, they could have made me look a lot worse. I was gutted to miss out on the second round by seven seconds though, and also I couldn't believe they didn't show me pole dancing with Amanda Byram (pictured right) acting as a makeshift pole, I think that would have made a few guys jealous.

■ HOW did you end up getting into stand up comedy?
I'd always wanted to do it but never had the confidence. The problem is, unlike most art forms, the only way to do it is in front of an audience and there is only so much you can do to prepare. I did a few local am dram shows to get some stage confidence, booked a gig and then started writing material and practising it in front of the mirror at home.

■ WHAT was that first gig like?
Terrifying. I was on last in the line-up so spent two hours listening to the crowd getting more and more nervous. The actual performance was a bit of a blur but I got some laughs and it was enough for me to want to try it again. It was only a five minute set, which seems like nothing now, but at the time it seemed like forever.

■ HOW did your job at the View from Bridport help you with your act?
It really helped my writing skills. Writing news stories is similar to writing jokes, you want to get to the point in as few words as possible. Some of my experiences also appear in my act from time to time as well.

■ WHAT kind of gigs have you been involved in and where have you been performing?

Every gig is different but more often than not I'll be on in the middle sandwiched between the pros. I've gigged to two or three hundred in theatres but also to eight other comedians in a leisure centre function room.

■ WHAT have been your best and worst moments on the stand up circuit?
I used to be really worried about being heckled but actually it's much worse when people just aren't paying attention. That happens from time to time, and it's horrible, but there is not a lot you can do about it. My best moment was performing to a crowd of 200 in Sturminster Newton. I did a set full of material about the westcountry and they loved it. Afterwards people were coming up to me, shaking my hand and telling me how much they enjoyed it. Those gigs are great because you are buzzing for hours afterwards.

■ WHEN is the next BAC comedy cafe and what is it all about?
I set up the Comedy Cafe to give new acts a place to come and perform. For amateur stand up there is nowhere to perform between Exeter and Bournemouth so there was a gap in the market. Each month we have five new acts and a professional headliner. Entry is only £5 so it's good value for money and you get to see some great new talent. Our next show is on January 27th and my favourite headliner on the circuit, Wes Packer, will be performing.

■ WHAT advice would you give to anyone who would like to have a go at stand up?
Just book an open spot and then worry about it afterwards. Once you're on stage just be confident and make sure you know what you're going to say, have material prepared. At the end of the day it's only five minutes of your life and whatever happens you probably won't die, not literally anyway.

■ WHICH three famous people would you like to have round for dinner?
I would have Morrissey, the lead singer of The Smiths. He is the greatest songwriter of all time and such an intriguing character. The other two people I'd have are Frank Skinner and Russell Brand, they're my two favourite comedians and were both an inspiration to me to start comedy.

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County council has 'let itself down' with Church Street closure signage

TRADER'S COMPLAINTS OVER LACK OF 'BUSINESSES OPEN AS USUAL' SIGNS ON APPROACH TO TOWN

By Francesca Evans

DORSET County Council has "let itself down" according to the chairman of the recently reformed Lyme Regis Traders' Association, who has complained that local businesses are suffering due to a lack of signage regarding the Church Street road closure.

Tony Colston, who owns By The Bay restaurant on Marine Parade with wife Stephanie, has spoken out about the lack of "Businesses Open as Usual" signs on the approach to Lyme Regis, which is currently enduring an eight-week closure of Church Street for repairs to the Guildhall and Hub youth club roof.

In a phone call and email to the county council, Mr Colston pointed out that there were at least four signs advertising the road closure on the Sidmouth road, none of which before reaching Ware Cross, just outside Lyme, said businesses were open as usual. He asked the council to put these signs in place "as a matter of urgency", adding: "It's tough enough surviving winter in Lyme already, without the road being closed and inadequate signage."

In response, Dorset County Council's street works co-ordinator, John Alford, said a "Businesses Open as Usual" sign would be placed alongside the road closure sign at Boshill Cross, near Seaton. However, Mr Colston argued that he would like to see further signs at Westhayes Caravan Park near Rousdon and at two junctions in Rousdon.

■ CHAIRMAN of the recently reformed Lyme Regis Traders' Association, Tony Colston

He also asked that the county council place the signs before the end of the week, pointing out that the road closure was already in its third week.

"Common sense would tell me to put a 'Local Businesses Open as Usual' sign alongside every road closure sign," he added.

Mr Alford replied: "It is not possible to sign every junction on the diversion route. Whilst I acknowledge your concerns, the diversion route is intended primarily for 'through-traffic'. This traffic will pick up the 'local businesses open' message at the key points of the diversion route, and make a decision there.

"Local people will be aware of the closure, and its location, through the press release and their own experience, and know that they are still able to access the major car parks in the town on their side of the closure."

Speaking to the *View From Lyme Regis*, Mr Colston added: "I think there are businesses who have noticed how much slower it is in the high street at the moment and it is unfortunate that the signage has not gone according to plan.

"At Boshill Cross there are three huge signs that say the road is closed and only tiny 'Business Open as Usual' sign, which is on the wrong side of the junction and tucked away. I'm not convinced that that's quite as clear as it should be.

"At Ware Cross, I think the 'Business Open as Usual' sign was put there by a local person. The council have now put one there too but I think they've let themselves down. It would be good if they could get it right.

"The road is obviously closed through half term as well, right through February, and I will be going back to Mr Alford and put this case to him. Why not just put equal signs up?

"If the council could put up one sign that said road closed and another of the same size that said businesses were open as usual, that is all it would take and I don't see why they can't do that."

Rowers celebrate with a cold beer

■ FROM PAGE ONE

Some family members were in Barbados to greet them and the crew are expected home to a heroes' welcome in the next two weeks. The boat, which cost £65,000 to buy and equip, should return to these shores in four to six weeks.

The gathering at the Cobb on Sunday afternoon was organised by freelance journalist and public relations expert Geoff Baker and his partner, Jill Newton.

They produced a huge sign saying "Heroes" and encouraged wellwishers to congregate on the North Wall at 4 pm, the expected time of arrival, so that their presence could be captured on the Cobb webcam. They returned again later in the evening to let off a firework when The Corinthians actually crossed the finishing line.

Among those joining in the celebrations on the Cobb were the Mayor, keen sailor Sally Holman, and Andrew Pocock, who has acted as team administrator for the "Spirit of Corinth".

Fine spirits

Mr Pocock told the *View from Lyme Regis* that he had spoken to The Corinthians early in the day and they were in "fine spirits".

"They are fit and well but suffering from rowers' claw, which is not unusual, and a few salt sores," he said. "Their spirits have been high from day one, although they were a bit down when facing the 50 to 60 feet waves.

"One thing is for sure. They will definitely be able to make their own way to the nearest bar when they land for a cold beer!"

Mr Pocock said the whole venture had cost over £100,000, which had been raised through sponsorship, fundraising and personal contributions by the rowers themselves.

They were planning to sell the boat for around £40,000 and were hopeful of raising a considerable amount for their two charities - Shelterbox and the British Heart Foundation.

Mr Pocock added that he had already applied to the Guiness Book of Records for two records - the oldest man to row across the Atlantic (Tony Short, 67) and one for the oldest combined crew.

The Mayor is in discussion with Mr Pocock on how to mark The Coronthians' "magnificent achievement" in a suitable fashion. They will certainly feature prominently in Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in June and Lyme's Olympic Torch Day on July 12th.

Councillor Holman said: "We will ensure that this wonderful achievement is marked in a fitting fashion."

■ TUCKING IN: The Corinthians enjoy their first proper meal in 48 days after arriving in Barbados

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Red Admiral butterfly spotted at Christmas

ALTHOUGH the weather has been distinctly colder in the past couple of weeks, this photograph is further proof of the mild winter.

Recently we published a photograph of daffodils blooming under a Lyme Regis Driving Range sign.

The picture of a Red Admiral butterfly (above) was taken, believe it or not, on Christmas Day by Woodmead Road resident and keen gardener Les Loveridge.

Mr Loveridge says that the butterflies are normally seen only between May and August.

Lyme dentist goes private

DENTIST Paul Bester, of Kent House Dental Care in Lyme Regis, announced last week that his practice would be going private as of March 2012.

NHS Dorset has released the following statement on the matter: "NHS Dorset is taking immediate steps to commission a new NHS dental contract and secure access to adequate NHS dental services in and around Lyme Regis, having received notice to terminate NHS services from Dr Paul Bester, holder of an NHS dental contract in relation to Kent House Dental Care, Silver Street, Lyme Regis.

"The termination of his NHS dental contract will be effective from 31 March 2012, however in the meantime Dr Bester will continue to provide NHS dental services to his patients during the notice period of his dental contract.

"NHS Dorset will be working with other dental practices in the area in order to maintain access to NHS dental services for former patients of Mr Bester's practice. The establishment of this replacement NHS service will be concluded as soon as possible

"Dental practices in Charmouth and Bridport are currently accepting new patients for NHS dental care and treatment.

"The public can locate details of all dental practices offering NHS dental services to new patients via NHS Choices website www.nhs.uk, NHS Direct on 08454647 or the Dorset Dental Helpline on 01202 854443."

See next week's View for statement from Dr Paul Bester

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Councillors surprised at news of potential school relocation

LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL NEWS
By Francesca Evans

LYME Regis town councillors went into committee after hearing that Dorset County Council had been in discussions over relocating the Woodroffe School into East Devon.

The View understands that there have been preliminary discussions on the possibility of the school moving to the top fields where the sports pitches are located and which are in East Devon

Many town councillors appeared surprised at the news, which was revealed by East Devon District Council's planning policy manager, Matt Dickins, speaking at a recent town council Community Development Partnership meeting about East Devon's Local Plan.

Mr Dickins listed the possible relocation of the Woodroffe School among cross-county border issues that may affect both West Dorset and East Devon in the future.

Councillor Terry O'Grady was quick to question the statement. He asked: "Woodroffe School moving? Where has that come from?"

Mr Dickins said that East Devon District Council had been approached by Dorset County Council about a year ago to say that the relocation was an initiative they were looking into.

Councillor Daryl Turner said that if they were going to talk on the subject any further they should go into committee and exclude the press and public. This action was requested at the end of the meeting by Councillor O'Grady and agreed.

Woodroffe School head teacher, Dr Richard Steward, said the matter had been discussed as a possibility for the future but had not been progressed because of the current financial climate.

Call for joined-up thinking between district councils

THE need for better communication between West Dorset and East Devon district councils was emphasised by Lyme Regis town councillors recently.

At a Community Development Partnership meeting, town councillors looked through East Devon's Local Plan and how it may affect Lyme Regis in the future. The committee's most significant concern was the need for more communication between the two district authorities on cross-county border issues, especially regarding Uplyme, which councillors felt was very much connected to Lyme Regis.

East Devon District Council's planning policy manager, Matt Dickins, spoke at the meeting. He said that part of the plan was to increase housing in all small parishes by five per cent, which would equate to 20 new homes in Uplyme.

Town clerk Mike Lewis pointed out that one of the policies in the plan was to create a new job for every new home built. He said: "I imagine in Uplyme that would be quite difficult - providing 20 new jobs in a rural community. If Lyme Regis could help, that is something we would like to work with you on."

As well as the provision of affordable housing, councillors suggested that more joined-up thinking should be used when planning transport links and on issues regarding Woodroffe School students, as many of them came from East Devon.

The East Devon Local Plan is currently in the consultation process until January 31st. Lyme town councillors were encouraged to fill out their own replies to the online consultation, giving mention to the need for more communication between the two district councils.

COUNCIL NEWS IN BRIEF

■ LYME Regis town councillors have expressed concern that the number of West Dorset's dog wardens will be reduced to just one.

The news came after the council requested that West Dorset District Council increase dog warden patrols in Lyme Regis to help combat dog fouling.

The district council said this would be "very unlikely" after the dog wardens were cut to just one for the whole district.

Town councillors agreed to write to the council expressing their concern and asking for information on any other proposed cuts.

They will also look into re-establishing the right for Lyme's PCSOs to give out fixed penalty notices for dog fouling.

■ REPLACEMENT lamp posts for an area of Lister Gardens in Lyme Regis would cost £20,000, town councillors have been told.

The town council was considering buying five new lamp posts for the area above the Amusement Arcade, Antiques and Craft Centre and By The Bay restaurant. However, they were told at last week's Community Development Partnership Committee meeting that this would cost £20,000 before installation.

It was reported that a greater priority for the Marine Parade Enhancement reserves, which would just cover this cost, was metalwork on the seafront railings.

Councillors deeded to leave the lamp posts and reconsider the idea when that area of the gardens was re-roofed.

■ LYME Regis Town Council has received a request for a solar powered juice cart to work along the Marine Parade.

The request came from Henry Simmonds, owner and operator of The Electric Lemon, who last contacted the council in 2008 but was told there would be no room for his concession during the now-complete shelters regeneration works.

Following the latest request, councillors decided to write to Mr Simmonds and thank him but suggest he applies again at a specified time when the council will consider a number of seafront concessions.

■ A GLADE of bluebells will be planted in the small woodland either side of the Town Mill path in Lyme Regis.

Councillors agreed to the suggestion, which came from Lyme Regis Development Trust chief executive Marcus Dixon.

The bluebells will be planted in autumn and several volunteers have come forward to help with this.

Lyme's steepest road will not be gritted

DISAPPOINTMENT AS PETITION FOR WOODMEAD ROAD GRITTING IS REJECTED BY COUNTY COUNCIL

By Francesca Evans

A PETITION urging Dorset County Council to include Woodmead Road and Anning Road in Lyme Regis in its gritting route has been rejected.

Woodmead Road resident Jim Sweetland gained the support of his neighbours, the town council and local emergency services, who regularly use Woodmead Road - one of the steepest roads in town - resulting in a petition of over 100 signatures being handed to the county council in December.

However, news that the request had been refused was announced at the recent town council Planning and Highways Committee meeting.

Town clerk Mike Lewis said: "They would not be able to add Woodmead Road and Anning Road to their gritting route because of financial costs, despite the petition and support from the town council and emergency services. Although that is their initial reaction, we are still working with Dorset County Council on this, perhaps to get just Woodmead Road gritted and not Anning Road, as we know Anning Road is flat."

He added that the county council had suggested the town council invest in a towed gritter, costing £5,500, themselves.

Mr Lewis said this was outside what the council could budget for until winter 2013.

"If we can't buy the equipment we may have to think about manually gritting the road, although this would be costly in terms of extra labour," he added.

Councillor Chris Clipson said: "We are lucky that two of our workforce live in the town and could grit manually."

Councillor Terry O'-Grady said: "This is a very disappointing response from the county council. They said maybe we should buy a gritter but maybe they should give us a gritter. We can't dish out thousands for a couple of weeks."

Councillor Clipson said he didn't believe the county council had any spare equipment that they could give to Lyme Regis.

Councillor Rikey Austin asked if the fact that it was a route for the emergency services was not a strong enough point to keep pushing the request for gritting.

"I think we have to keep fighting for this," she added.

The town clerk said: "Another important thing is that the county council used to grit Woodmead Road. I understand that they have to have a policy for the whole of Dorset but our geography is quite different."

However, Mr Lewis pointed out that Dorset County Council would grit Woodmead Road and Anning Road during the Church Street closure, as this was the main diversion route.

Petition organiser, Jim Sweetland, said he was also "very disappointed" with the result.

He added: "I will keep on at the local council because they were considering buying their own gritter but say they don't have the funding for it.

"It's the main route at the moment and they have been gritting here because of the diversion. It just shows it is really and truly the alternative route if anything happens in the town, and they were gritting it up until about two years ago.

"I think it' a losing battle really because they don't have the money.

"If there's anything else I can do I will but I'm not sure where to go from here."

THE Rotary Club of Lyme Regis has welcomed new member, Mark Tredwin, who has recently moved into Uplyme.

Mr Tredwin is a former school teacher and also has experience in industry. He was head of business studies and IT at a school in Farnham, and later assistant headmaster.

He also has interests in diving, where he has qualifications to instructor level, and has a Pilot's Licence.

"We welcome Mark and his partner Sarah to our club," said President Elect Peter Mills, as he inducted Mark into the Rotary movement.

"In the short time he has been with us he has shown the true spirit of Rotary and has entered wholeheartedly into our project work, and we look forward to enjoying his Fellowship".

PICTURED: President-elect Peter Mills (right) welcomes new member Mark Tredwin to the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis

Bingo players raise £30,000 in six years

■ **BINGO WINNERS: Representatives of the seven local organisations who benefit from the regular bingo sessions in Lyme Regis. From the left: Midge Loveridge (Pantomime Society), Shelley Robbins (Majorettes), Annabelle Grose (St Michael's Primary School), Michaela Ellis (chairman), Liz Pattemore (Old Folks' Christmas Dinner Fund), Councillor Barbara Austin (Christmas Lights Fund), Bob Kendrick (Operatic Society), Joanna Hopkins (Operatic Society), Gerard Hitchcock (Football Club)**

By Philip Evans

BINGO players in Lyme Regis have raised over £30,000 for local organisations in the last six years.

When the Lyme Regis branch of the Royal British Legion gave up running the Thursday evening bingo sessions at the Woodmead Halls in 2005 after 45 years, the Lyme Regis Community Bingo Association was set up to continue the tradition.

At last Thursday's annual meeting, secretary/treasurer Philip Evans told the bingo players that they had raised £31,300 for the seven participating organisations.

Said Mr Evans: "We would like to thank you all for turning out in all winds and weathers to support the bingo sessions which has resulted in over £30,000 being raised since 2006 for local organisations.

Mr Evans reported that the association had made a profit of £5,182 in 2011 which enabled the association to make a donation of £700 to the seven organisations which formed the membership – Lyme Regis Pantomime Society, Lyme Regis Operatic Society, Lyme Regis Majorettes, Lyme Regis Regis Football Club, St Michael's Primary School, the Lyme Regis Christmas Lights Fund and the Lyme Regis Old Folk's Christmas Dinner Fund.

Mr Evans thanked all those who were involved in the organising of the bingo sessions, especially the callers, and paid tribute to Tony Hicks who, over the six years the association had been going, had raised over £21,000 in raffle sales.

Councillor Barbara Austin, a committee member, thanked chairman Michaela Ellis for all her hard work and presented her with a bouquet of flowers.

Mrs Ellis thanked all the bingo players for their continued support and said she appreciated that for many of the regular attenders it was their only night out of the week.

Officers elected: chairman – Michaela Ellis; secretary/treasurer – Philip Evans. The committee is made up of a representative of each participating organisation with the addition of Councillor Owen Lovell, one of the callers.

Searching for Marine memorabilia

THE Marine Theatre is calling for theatre memorabilia for an upcoming refurbishment of its bar.

Hosting diverse acts, from James Cagney to Sweet to the Lyme Regis Operatic Society, the venue has a rich theatrical past which it wishes to celebrate.

Theatre director Harry Long said: "So many people have performed at the Marine over the years. We want to draw on the theatre's rich history, turning our bar into a theatrical curiosity shop, with many reminders of the venue's past.

"We will give the bar a facelift, without breaking the bank, and create a warm and comfortable environment where people can have a drink before and after a performance."

The theatre is calling for everyone to bring forward their pictures, programmes, brochures, leaflets, props, playbills, and any other Marine memorabilia to help with the refurbishment.

The refurbishment of the bar has been supported by the Marine's TheatreFriends, which hold regular fundraising events such as quizzes and craft fairs throughout the year so as to support improvements to the building. The work is being co-ordinated by theatre manager Nigel Day.

Mr Day said: "This is a very exciting project that we all believe will make a big difference to our little theatre. So have a rummage please and perhaps pass the word on to others who may be able to help. We're looking forward to seeing what turns up."

If you have any Marine Theatre memorabilia or think you can help, please contact the theatre office on 01297 442 394 or email admin@marinetheatre.com

Free courses for local carers

ST JOHN Ambulance is offering carers of family, friends or neighbours in Lyme Regis and the surrounding area the chance to attend a free training course to help with caring duties.

The trained and experienced registered nurses at St John Ambulance can offer advice, information and practical training.

Julie McDormott, Carers Support Programme lead manager, said: "Many carers are missing out on vital training to assist them in their caring role. We understand that each carer has individual need and the course covers many areas of carryings, and we provide the training that can make a difference."

The course will cover topics including first aid, managing continence, safer handling, back care, coping with memory loss and prevention of falls, all funded by Dorset County Council.

The next course will be held at Lyme Regis Medical Centre, starting on Thursday, March 8th from 10am to 1pm, and will run for four consecutive weeks. Each session is followed by a complimentary lunch.

Places are limited and booking is required. Contact Kerry Course on 01305 751160 for more information.

■ THE Town Mill Arts Guild (TMAG) has taken over the two galleries at the Town Mill in Lyme Regis for the coming year. After a year exhibiting in each of the Bakehouse galleries, located in the heart of the Town Mill complex, TMAG is running both the Courtyard Gallery downstairs and the David West Gallery upstairs for 2012-2013. The emphasis is on providing an accessible exhibition space for local artists and makers, with plenty of opportunities for visitors to meet the artists, who steward most of the shows. The galleries are open from 10.30 am to 4pm every day except Mondays. Entrance is free and artists' cards and prints, as well as original work, is on sale. Pictured above, TMAG secretary Hilary Highet cuts a ribbon to mark the opening watched by many of the group's members.

Tories told to expect more financial restraint

By Philip Evans

CONSERVATIVE supporters in Lyme Regis have been warned to expect another three to five years of financial restraint.

This was the blunt message given to the annual dinner of the Lyme Regis branch of the West Dorset Conservative Association by West Dorset MP, Oliver Letwin.

Mr Letwin, Cabinet Minister for policy, pulled no punches in his assessment of the current economic climate.

Mr Letwin was introduced by branch chairman Eric Tomlinson who reminded guests that the MP had increased his majority from 42 to 48 per cent since being elected to Parliament in 1997.

Mr Letwin said there was little the Coalition could do about the debt crisis in Europe.

"There is a very dificult road ahead but our policies are totally clear and we have no alternatives," he said.

It was "remarkable" that their full legislative programme had not been derailed by the current difficulties and he was "pretty optimistic" looking forward five to ten years.

Mr Letwin then engaged in a lively 40-minute question and anwser session ranging from the appointment of Police Commissioners to the NHS providing value for money.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Denis Yell.

■ TRUE BLUES: West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin (left) pictured at the Lyme Regis branch annual dinner with county councillor Geoffery Brierley, committee member Ken Meech, constituency agent Anthony Stanley, district councillor George Symonds and the branch chairman and his wife, Mr and Mrs Eric Tomlinson

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A busy year supporting the local community

Lyme Regis Development Trust Review of 2011

By chairman Wendy Davies

AT their first meeting of 2012, staff and trustees of Lyme Regis Development Trust (LRDT) reviewed the activities of the previous year.

2011 was an extremely busy year for the trust. We describe ourselves as "a community-based organisation that works to stimulate the economic, social and environmental well-being for all in Lyme Regis and its surrounding area".

As such, all of our activities, even those designed to bring us in some self-sustaining income, are intended to fulfil at least one of these objectives.

Marcus Dixon, chief executive, summarised the trust's activities to promote economic growth:

- 2011 Fossil Festival – increases Lyme's profile in general as well as delivering thousands of visitors who are likely to have a long-term interest in Lyme.
- The Earth Festival, although not starting until May this year, has already been beneficial to Lyme – it got us into the Olympic timetables, press releases etc., and was very likely to have been a key reason for the Olympic Torch visit. Plus much of the grant funding obtained is going into local employment.
- The continuing development of the Jurassic Coast Studies Centre project, which will bring regular, year-round economic benefits to Lyme, hotted up last year, following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Field Studies Council (FSC) and the Natural History Museum (NHM).

Regular teleconferences between partners kept the momentum going, as well as a number-crunching meeting in April, and meetings in the summer with the Heritage Lottery Team, both locally and nationally, to understand what they would fund.

In September, Lord Browne, past chief executive of BP, agreed to become a patron. In November, a dinner was attended by the new NHM science director, NHM's overall director, and Professor Iain Stewart, geologist and TV science presenter, recruited by FSC to champion our project.

Most significantly, agreement was reached at this meeting on actions for 2012.

- Achieved the SWRDA/DEFRA funding for an extension to St Michael's Business Centre, giving space for up to three serviced business units for local people.
- Looking to the future, the trust is working with Locality (the national association of Development Trusts) in a project that explores ways in which communities can make use of the extensive knowledge residing within them.
- The trust played a key role in initiating the talks which led to the Silver Explorer Cruise Ship coming to Lyme Regis in 2012. There will be 160 passengers in May, but with the possibility of up to six visits per year, it could total nearly a thousand international ambassadors each year spreading the word and perhaps being inspired to return, along with their friends.
- Similarly, the trust played an early role in ensuring that a sustainable alternative emerged when the previous preschool closed.

LymeForward

Ellen Austin, the LymeForward co-ordinator, managed by LRDT, and other LRDT personnel have undertaken other more immediately effective activities, such as:

- Summer trips for youngsters and their families, this year organised mainly by the mothers under Ellen's guidance
- The potential disaster of the demise of the Action Forum - turned by Ellen into the triumph of the monthly Lunch Club for the over 50s
- Ellen is also in the final planning stages of a Befriending Scheme which will offer a volunteer "friend" to the housebound or others in need, and of a Food Bank, to be launched shortly.
- Heather Prior, funded by the LymeNet Lottery grant, successfully launched a Lyme Regis service point of the First Dorset Credit Union at St Michael's Business Centre in March (we are now part of the West Dorset Branch). There is the possibility of opening soon on Saturday mornings as well as Tuesday mornings in St Michaels and at Woodroffe School on Thursdays from March.
- LRDT initiated and led the successful campaign to keep the library open when threatened with closure.
- LRDT continues to support local organisations in a variety of ways. For example, Ellen supported the Junior Band when falling rolls threatened its future by linking it to B Sharp and helping with promotional materials.

It also helped the Friends of Charmouth Library when looking for an accountable body, undertook practical work to update the skatepark consultation, and helped with the ArtsFest funding bids and accounts.

- LRDT Property Management team, led by Diana Dixon with stalwart help from trustees past and present, greatly improved living conditions for the tenants of Monmouth House by a complete refurbishment that included installing gas central heating, secondary glazing and cavity wall insulation and maintaining the roof. The flat above InSPARation was completely redecorated prior to taking on a new tenant.

The Hub

The Hub, formerly the Club For Young People has been led by LRDT, will all staff and many volunteers committing hundreds of hours to this project and, at times, it has completely taken over the office. Under LRDT leadership, we have achieved:

- Appointment and management of Fran Williams as initial project officer.
- Making the building safe for public entry in time for the open day attended by over a thousand people of all ages.
- Further building work enabled the re-opening of The Hub on time. Youth Work at InSPARation under DCC Area Youth Worker James Ward-Rice transferred there in September, with attendances already up by 50 per cent.
- The winning of the Jubilee People's Millions and reaching the final of the EnergyShare funding schemes was the result of an incredible number of hours of work in the preparation of the bids and galvanising of voters.
- Much more work followed once we'd won the People's Millions to claim the grant, followed by the supervision of the work thus funded, mainly disability access.
- Even more work (tendering/permissions/bid assessment) to enable the roof replacement to start on Jan 3rd 2012.
- Much behind-the-scenes liaison, and continued involvement in funding bids (e.g. TalkTalk's £800).

LymeNet

Throughout the year, Lucy Campbell and her dedicated team of staff and volunteers have given advice, support and training at LymeNet, with an average of 25 local people visiting every day, whilst taking advantage of the Big Lottery funding to review and update the internal structure. This included overhauling its own IT systems and agreeing a new management structure with LRDT, its governing body.

Another long-standing strand of LRDT work, now delivered mainly through LymeForward, is to ensure that the voice of Lyme Regis is heard in district, county and national consultations. LRDT has taken the lead on LymeForward's "refreshment" of the Community Plan 2007-2027 and has assiduously participated in West Dorset's consultations to develop the Local Plan, both in general and in particular in relation to housing.

Finally, we have made St Michael's Business Centre a nicer place for both workers and visitors, by obtaining planning permission for replacement of all windows. We have replaced three windows in main office, installed a new boiler and redecorated the ground floor communal area.

I think that even we were surprised at what has been achieved. None of this would have been possible without many hundreds of voluntary hours put in by numerous public-spirited individuals – not forgetting the staff who far exceed their paid hours, or the work of my fellow trustees.

It just goes to show what can be achieved when people and organisations work together – The Hub is a particularly good example of this, where with financial support from the town council and the County Youth Service, and the on-going practical assistance of the latter's local staff, something wonderful is happening.

We at LRDT look forward to continuing to work with the town council and other organisations to maximise the benefit to Lyme of the many exciting opportunities in 2012.

■ **APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS:** If you have any free time and would like to help take any of our projects forward, please call into the office at St Michael's Business Centre for a list of our current opportunities. The time requirements are varied, from a one-off half day at the Fossil Festival, to a regular slot manning the LymeNet desk or spending a few hours searching the internet for funding opportunities.

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Local police surgeries

LYME Regis Safer Neighbourhood Team will be holding a surgery at the police station between 9am and 10am on Monday, January 30th.

Residents or visitors are welcome to attend and seek advice or report incidents.

The police station is situated at the Emergency Services Centre off Hill Road. Police can also be contacted on Richard.Winward@dorset.pnn.police.uk

A second surgery will be held at Charmouth on Thursday, February 2nd between 10am and 11am. It will be at The Hollands Room on Bridge Road, where the weekly Breakfast Club will also be taking place.

Charity valuation day

AN antiques valuation day at the Alexandra Hotel in Lyme Regis will raise money for charity Action Medical Research.

The valuation day, with Duke's Auctioneers, will be held on Thursday, February 2nd from 10.30am to 1.30pm. Valuers are available in silver, jewellery, porcelain, paintings, collectables, clocks and watches, plus a general valuer.

Each valuation costs £1.50 and refreshments are available for all who want to simply pop in for a tea or coffee to support the charity.

Society coffee morning

THE Lyme Regis Society will be holding a coffee morning on Friday, January 27th at the Alexandra Hotel between 10.30am and 12noon.

Members and non-members alike are welcome to come along.

The society's aims are to safeguard the natural and architectural beauty of the town and to promote interest in its cultural and historical associations.

The committee would be happy to meet people interested in the work of the society and particularly with anyone who has a small amount of spare time and would like to become involved.

Lyme's gigs named best turned out

■ **BEST TURNED OUT: The gig club's attractive boat "Black Ven" and, below, the team which looks after the boats**

LYME Regis Gig Club's vessels have been recognised for their smart appearance by the Cornish Pilot Gig Association.

The club won the prestigious trophy for the best turned out boats during 2011 at the association's recent annual general meeting.

The Cornish Pilot Gig Association oversees and represents the South West's 60 sea rowing gig clubs and, over the last year, has been assessing which club has the most beautiful boats, scrutinising how well they are maintained and looked after at race events.

Lyme Regis won because of the superb way in which "Rebel" and "Black Ven" are looked after by the club's bosun, Chris Waller, and the team, Chris Douglas, Jeff Legge, Chris Clipson and Gail McGarva, and all the competitive rowing teams who fuss the boats when they are away racing.

Cornish Pilot Gig racing is a great way to experience the sea, keep fit, have fun and take part in races held throughout the South West. Lyme Regis Gig Club aims to give people of all ages the opportunity to participate in this healthy sport, has a great youth section and is building at the Boat Building Academy a third wooden gig "Tempest", which is planned to be launched later this year.

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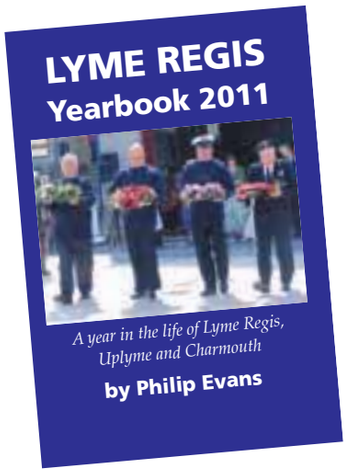

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LymeLetters

Unanimous opposition? There's plenty of support for jet skis too!

■ ON the subject of "unanimous opposition" of the jet ski trial.

It would appear, that according to last week's letters in the *View* (January 18th) that no correspondence has been voiced in its favour. May I correct this position by sending this letter and drawing your reader's attention to the fact that there is lots of sensible support for it. See the "I'm Pro Jet Ski's in Lyme Regis" Facebook page.

I am 64 years old, was born in Lyme Regis and have lived here all my life.

As I understand it, only 20 licences would be issued for the season, and that they would be used off Monmouth Beach, not anywhere near the main beach, that the area will be buoyed so that no swimmers or boats enter the area.

Water jet driven craft are much safer than the power boats that we have readily accepted for the last 40 years. Has West Dorset District Council found a marine law that will deny access to jet skis from being launched from slipways anyway?

Before we condemn jet skis, shouldn't we consider giving it a trial run? We have absolutely no idea what impact this type of fun attraction would have on the town. How could we assess something that has no precedence?

I don't want to sit in my chair with my slippers on complaining about a fun attraction that may very well do Lyme some good and, although unfortunately due to my artificial joints, I will not be first in the queue to try them, I would certainly love to.

Cheryl Reynolds,
Lyme Regis

Jet skis would attract new kind of tourism to Lyme

■ FOLLOWING last week's letters in the *View From* (January 18th), expressing "unanimous opposition" to jet skis in Lyme Regis, I'd like to correct this by pointing out that there are a number of us who are fully supportive of allowing a reasonable and sensible jet ski presence in the water.

I'm not a born and bred Lymey, but I've spent 25 years living in and around the town and have been coming here since the mid 70s. In that time, I've seen a number of slow but sure changes to the town. Some I've seen as good and necessary, some I've seen as unfortunate.

Most of the positive changes to the town, I've seen as those that promote tourism and that bring money into the town. Tourism, whether you love it or hate it, is our lifeblood. Agreed it has some negative impacts on the town but, on the whole, it helps the businesses in the town survive the winter.

Jet skis would bring another type of tourist into our town. Younger people with more disposable income than struggling families are what other seaside towns are seeing as vital to their burgeoning economies. We should be welcoming these people into our town, rather than ostracising them.

Lyme Regis is becoming more young people friendly as the years pass. The Red Bull wakeboarding event and the powerboat racing, last year, pulled in a large number of younger people, with no negative effects on the town and a short-term boom in the local economy.

The noise issue would be no greater that the powerboats. Jet skis have smaller, less noisy engines than powerboats and are intrinsically safer, as they don't have propellers hanging out the back to chop people up.

I'd ask those of you who do support the trial introduction of jet skis in Lyme, to join our Facebook page "Im pro jet skis in Lyme Regis". Don't listen to the rhetoric, face the facts.

Glenn Willis,
Lyme Regis

Thanks from Save the Children branch

THE Lyme Regis branch of Save the Children would like to thank Bill and Caroline from the Pilot Boat Inn for their hospitality during the charity's recent soup and sweet lunch.

The branch volunteers would also like to thank all the Pilot Boat staff, especially the chef who prepared the lunch, helping the branch to raise £570.

Send your *Views* to Lyme Letters, View From Lyme Regis, Unit 3 St Michaels Business Centre, Church Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset DT7 3DB or email pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Council searching for relatives of burried

LYME Regis Town Council is looking for relatives of some of those burried in the town cemetary.

There are two particular "common" graves with burials from multiple families and one family would like to have a headstone placed on the graves detailing their relatives, but the council first needs to contact any remaining relatives of the following:

Francis Williams Legg (buried 24th February 1863, aged 3 years), John Legg (buried 24th February 1863, aged 2 years), John Legg (buried 15th August 1866, aged 3 months), John Coles (buried 25th February 1863), Ethel Amelia Clarke (buried 14th September 1892).

Any relatives or those with further information should contact to the town council to discuss the issues further on 01297 4445175 or email administrative officer Vicky Stickler on admin@lymeregistowncouncil.gov.uk

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I'm not the only one who cares

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans

WHEN I took a stance against what I thought was a flagrant disregard of democracy in the Lyme Regis council chamber a couple of weeks ago, I must admit I wondered whether anyone else cared a flying fig.

You will recall that I declined to publish a statement issued by the council challenging comments that long-serving councillor Owen Lovell had made about the budget for the financial year. In a nutshell, Councillor Lovell, the most experienced council member, highlighted a number of costs which he thought could be trimmed to reduce the council precept.

No one challenged his argument – not the mayor, town clerk or chairman of the budget-setting committee, Mark Gage. And the budget was subsequently approved without debate with only councillors Lovell, Michaela Ellis and Ann Bradbury opposing.

A few days later I got a statement from the council challenging the view put forward by Councillor Lovell. It was an unprecedented move; in decades of covering Lyme council meetings I had never witnessed such a situation before, nor had any of the other long-serving councillors, past and present.

My only conclusion was the new council did not wish to enter into a debate on Councillor Lovell's suggestions because they knew they would win the vote.

Usually, the town clerk would answer any counter arguments to the budget procedure. I have my own views why he did not do so but it would be inappropriate to express them here.

After deciding not to publish the statement, I informed the town clerk I would be happy to print it in full but only if it was read out in the democratic arena, ie the council chamber.

As I say, I wondered whether any one else cared a jot. So I have been amazed at the number of people, some of whom I'm only on nodding terms, have come up to me to say thanks for standing up for local democracy.

Last week's *View* contained a letter from Lyme resident John Hounsell, a keen observer of council matters, supporting my stance and expressing his opinion that the new council was intent on getting its own way with little debate.

This has been dismissed by some as "just a letter from one of Pip Evans' mates". Not so. Whilst I respect Mr Hounsell's views, we are not exactly busom pals; in fact, I have only ever had two or three conversations with him.

I appreciate my stance has made me about as popular as an Italian cruise line captain in the Lyme council chamber, but I think it's important that when every proposition seems to go through on the nod ten votes to four, it's important that someone is questioning the decision making process of our elected representatives. And it's even more important that they defend those decisions.

■ THERE is never a good time to close a road from a traders' viewpoint, but I suppose if it has to happen then closing Church Street, the main thoroughfare into the town centre, in January is as good a time as any.

Church Street is about half-way through an eight-week closure order for necessary repairs to be made to the Guildhall and a new roof put on The Hub youth club.

At least five other property owners in Church Street and Bridge Street have taken the opportunity to erect scaffolding and carry out repairs.

No one begrudges The Hub having a new roof, essential for getting the new club up and running, but the length of closure is causing real concern.

Trade is virtually non existent in the town centre and I heard this week, on good authority, that one shop took just £1.74 in a day with two staff on duty.

It's good to see the Lyme Traders' Organisation being reformed with local restaurateur Tony Colston at the helm, and well done to RikeyAustin for making this happen.

The LTO have already put pressure on Dorset County Council to improve signage at crucial points in and around the town to emphasise that Lyme is still open for business.

When this sort of thing happens it's essential that the trading community has a strong voice and I'm sure LTO under new and enthusiastic leadership will achieve a great deal in the future for the trading community.

EVENT OF THE WEEK...

EVENT of the week as far as Lyme Regis is concerned took place 4,000 miles from these shores.

There were scenes of real joy in Barbados when "The Spirit of Corinth" crossed the finishing line in the Altantic Challenge with the Lyme crew securing sixth place and having written themselves into the Guinness Book of Records as the oldest crew ever to row across the Atlantic.

When they finally made it into Barbados harbour - the finishing line was another six gruelling miles from shore - they were greeted by family members and a few other locals who were holidaying in the West Indies.

Tears and much laughter, no doubt, and no one who knows the four rowers - Chris Walters, Elliott Dale, Tony Short and Brian Fletcher - were surprised that they made straight for the nearest bar for a cold beer and steak meal.

How good that steak must have tasted after 48 days on sea rations.

Whilst all this was going on in Barbados, a group of wellwishers had gathered at the Cobb to mark this wonderful achievement, organised by Geoff Baker and Jill Newton.

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RNLI crew aiming to raise £3,500 for new lifejackets

RNLI volunteers in Lyme Regis are optimistic that they will reach their target of £3,500 to buy new equipment for the lifeboat crew.

The charity has set a target for all 35 stations in the south west to buy the latest lifejackets costing £350 each.

Events on the RNLI's SOS Day – this Friday, January 27th – and on other dates will be raising money towards the target.

And a prize bingo evening at Woodmead Halls on Friday at 8pm is expected to be a big attraction.

Prizes include vouchers for the Mariners Hotel and the Royal Lion, four rounds at Lyme Regis Golf Club, Sunday roasts at the Cobb Arms, vouchers for the Weymouth Sea Life Centre, 10 pasties from Pasty Presto and tickets for Exeter Chiefs rugby.

Also on Friday, St Michael's Primary School will be supporting SOS Day and two lifeboat crew members will be talking to pupils about their voluntary roles.

The Lyme Regis branch of the Co-op in Broad Street has named the SOS lifejacket appeal as the store's charity for the year.

Manager James West said: "The RNLI is close to our hearts in Lyme Regis and we are working on some special events to help the appeal."

The King's Arms in Seaton is staging a raffle with music by the Porter Boys at 8pm on February 18th. Prizes include cruises, restaurant vouchers and trips on the Seaton Tramway.

Remember lost ones with Weldmar

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust Snowdrop Gardens and Walks were established to provide a lasting memorial to lost friends and family.

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These services are held every late winter when snowdrops first appear, reminding us that the hope and warmth of spring is not far away.

This year the service in Lyme Regis will be held at the Baptist Church on Thursday, February 2nd at 11am. Other services will take place in Bridport, Beaminster, Dorchester, Weymouth and further across Dorset.

All are welcome to attend these services.

If you wish, snowdrops may be planted in memory of your loved one, and their name included in the Snowdrop Memorial book which is kept in each location for a donation of £10 to cover costs.

For more information call Nikki Grattan, hospice secretary, on 01305 767527. Full details are also available on the new website www.weldhospice.org.uk

If you have a story or photo for Lyme Regis, Uplyme or Charmouth, contact reporter Francesca Evans on 01297 446154 or email francesca@pemedia.co.uk

WINTER BOWLS: Charmouth Bowls Club have extended their season by introducing Short Mat Bowling sessions

Charmouth Bowls Club extends season into winter with new activity

CHARMOUTH Bowls Club has now extended into the winter season with the introduction of Short Mat Bowling at the recently refurbished St Andrew's Community Hall on Lower Sea Lane.

The club enjoyed a great turn-out for their first session last week, which was supported by both members and visitors.

The Short Mat Bowling sessions are held at the hall every Tuesday afternoon starting at 1.30pm. Anyone interested in joining in, whether beginner or experienced, can come along to the hall any Tuesday afternoon.

Chairman Jim Greenhalgh said: "We hope that this extension to our club activities will appeal to an even wider group of local people and we look forward to welcoming them".

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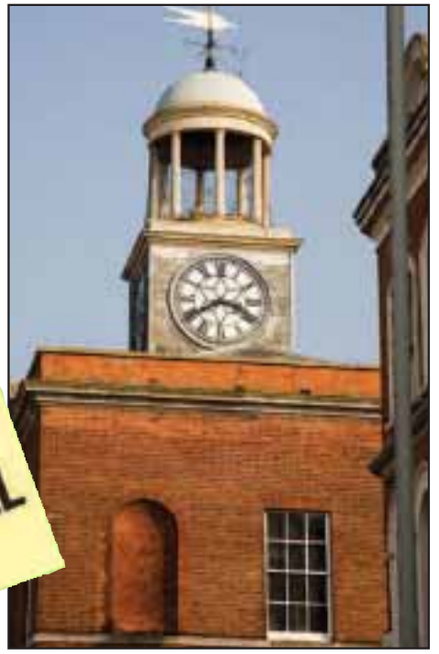

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The hotel is a true celebration of interior design, where old meets new and contemporary fittings blend seamlessly with majestic period features.

There are 14 comfortable guest rooms – all ensuite – and many have inspiring views of the sea.

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Top beauty tips for brides

WHATEVER stage you are at in your wedding preparations, you can improve how radiant you look on the big day with your diet, cleansing routine and general lifestyle. There are also plenty of things you can do on the day itself to maintain that centre-of-attention look.

A six-month countdown is recommended to make sure you look as radiant and healthy as possible on your wedding day, but brides who only have a few weeks to prepare can still see some stunning results.

Eating a balanced diet and exercising regularly are an essential part of the preparation.

Exercise will give your circulation a major boost and flush away the toxins that cause blemishes in the skin. Aim for 30 minutes of gentle exercise per day.

Eating plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables, drinking around eight glasses of water a day, reducing your alcohol consumption and cutting out smoking will help prevent your skin from looking dowdy and dull. Try to make sure you get a good night's sleep of about eight hours in the weeks or days before the wedding.

However, there's more to looking good on the day than just being healthy.

"It's important to cleanse, tone and moisturise every day to get rid of any impurities," says Joanne Leah, a beauty therapist of six years who's also a member of the British Association of Beauty Therapy and Cosmetology.

Facials are also recommended as long as you start having them regularly a few months before the wedding. Trying one a few days beforehand is a mistake, as it could lead to a blotchy face.

Getting your hair in shape is also important.

According to the experts you should wash your hair whenever you feel you have to, usually every few days, and make sure it has a deep condition about once a month. This is where the product is combed through and left on for at least ten minutes.

Massaging your scalp with shampoo while washing will stimulate the blood flow and encourage the growth of healthy hair. And when dry, brushing will again stimulate the scalp and also get rid of any dead hair.

Advice from Vidal Sassoon says you should work out well in advance the way you want your hair to look. If you want to have it cut, make sure it's done about a week before the big day. This will make sure your style keeps its shape, but also has time to settle.

Your feet and hands shouldn't be forgotten either. Beauticians suggest a manicure and pedicure at a beauty salon every few weeks before the wedding, which normally includes a foot massage to stimulate the skin.

"At home, you should moisturise your hands daily and soak your feet in warm water for about ten minutes, twice a week," says beauty therapist Rebecca Hale.

"This basically leaves your feet feeling very refreshed, particularly if you use some essential oils, such as peppermint.

"When it comes to nails, it's important to file them two or three times a week and maybe push the cuticles back while you're in the bath."

When it comes to choosing your make-up for the wedding, caution is advised. The temptation might be to let a beautician pile on a lot of expensive make-up which may be totally inappropriate, especially for today's more natural look.

It's also important to know your skin colour. This might seem obvious, but you should check whether your skin is yellow or pink toned. Make sure your foundation matches your skin tone exactly, and check it in daylight.

If you are going to be applying your own make-up, beauty guru and professional make-up artist John Gustafson, from BBC's Looking Good Programme, has some sound advice: "Strong, intense shades for lips will be set off by neutral tones on eyes and cheeks.

"Play down eye colours to emphasise your lips. Choose a base eye shade that matches your skin tone and apply all over the eyelid."

He warns against using eyeliner on the top eyelid - it will look dated. And John suggests adding texture to eyes by applying a metallic lustre to the eyelid over a base shade.

Lips are also important on the day itself because of all that smiling, eating and kissing you are likely to be doing.

In order to make your lipstick last longer, apply a layer of foundation and powder to your lips before you put your lipstick on. This will give the lipstick something to grip to.

If you are having a separate evening function, it may be worth reapplying make-up, but don't apply more foundation over old foundation. It will look like rice pudding.

Remove foundation from areas of your face that have seen the most wear and tear. Reapply lipstick and lip gloss.

Finally, don't go to bed in your warpaint. If you don't clean if off at night you'll end up with stained pillow cases and a bad case of spots, which could well be a blemish on your honeymoon as well.

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Surgery to discuss potential loss of medical services

WEST Dorset Liberal Democrat, Councillor Ros Kayes, will be holding a surgery in Lyme Regis on Monday to discuss the medical services currently under threat at Bridport and Dorchester hospitals.

Although organised by the Liberal Democrats, the surgery comes following cross-party support to try and stop the services being moved away from the local area, which include minor and day surgery, minor injuries, rehabilitation, radiology, outpatient consultations , mental health and the pain clinic.

The surgery will be held at 50 Broad Street (between Cauli and Flowers and Primary Colours) on Monday, January 30th between 1pm and 3pm.

Hoarders needed for latest BBC show

THE BBC is looking for hoarders in the local area to star in one of its latest television series.

Presenter Jasmine Harman and her mother Vasoulla recently touched our nation's hearts in the critically acclaimed BBC film "My Hoarder Mum and Me", which gave a glimpse of the daily struggle that is compulsive hoarding - a condition that affects up to three million families in the UK.

The BBC has now commissioned a second documentary featuring Jasmine, which will offer psychological support and practical help for people who want to tackle their condition and clutter. They are keen to highlight the problem further as well as explore some of the different treatment methods and techniques being used in the UK, relieving some of the stigma and raise awareness of this prevalent condition and support the campaign to get more help for hoarders.

If you are a hoarding sufferer or a relative, friend or carer of a hoarder please get in touch with Gemma at Twofour on 020 7438 1869 or email gemma.davies@twofour.co.uk

Lyme to host romantic wedding fair

LYME Regis is considered to be one of the most romantic places in the world – so it's fitting that couples who are planning to get married will be gathering at the Pearl of Dorset this weekend.

The Lyme Regis Wedding Fair will take place on Saturday and Sunday (January 28th and 29th) at two venues in the town, the Marine Theatre and the Woodmead Halls.

The Wedding Fair is being organised by Lyme Media & Events Limited, publishers of the *View From* and *Weekender* series of newspapers, covering West Dorset, East Devon and South Somerset.

Thirty companies from all over the South West, specialising in providing services for that special day, will be exhibiting at the Wedding Fair, which will be open from 11 am to 4pm on each day.

One of the highlights of the event with be a wedding fashion show at the Marine Theatre at 2.30pm on Sunday, staged by Prima Moda Brides, of Ilminster.

Prior to the fashion show, No 22 Hair Boutique, from Honiton, will be giving hair and make-up demonstrations (11am to 2.30pm).

Although the main road through Lyme Regis is closed for essential repairs to the Guildhall and The Hub, there is a diversion in place which takes traffic into the town centre with ample parking in close proximity to the Marine Theatre. The Woodmead Halls in Hill Road also has extensive parking.

Jerry Ramsdale, managing director of Lyme Regis Media & Events, an experienced exhibition organiser, said: "We have advertised the Wedding Fair extensively throughout West Dorset, East Devon and South Somerset and we are looking forward to welcoming couples from all over the South West to the event. "

It is hoped to make the Lyme Regis Wedding Fair an annual event.

Entry to the Wedding Fair is free.

Professionals to lead photo day

PROFESSIONAL photographers Peter Wiles and Maisie Hill will be leading another of their popular photo days in Lyme Regis on Saturday, March 24th.

The aim of the day is to dedicate time to taking photos of Lyme Regis harbour, beach and seafront with a group of other keen photographers.

There will be lots of advice, tips and ideas from the professionals, as well as a comment and discussion session on the photographs taken during the day.

Maisie said: "This is the third photoday we have held and it's always interesting to see how each person's images, all taken on the same day, are so different from each other. "

The photo day costs £20 per person. For more information or to book a place on this popular workshop, email Peter Wiles at peter@lymescapes.co.uk or Maisie Hill on 01297 443069 or email maisie@maisiehill.co.uk

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Get Together for Grandpa Banana

DIRECT from California, USA, Grandpa Banana appears at Charlton Down Village hall on Wednesday. February 1st.

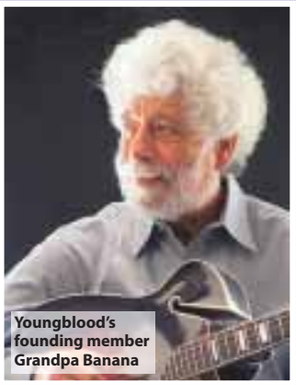
Banana was the founder member of the legendary San Francisco Bay area folk rock band The Youngbloods. The band's classic recording 'Get Together' sold over one million copies cracking the U.S. top 5 achieving gold record status in 1969. Get Together was later featured on the soundtrack in the film *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*. The Youngbloods disbanded in 1973, and Banana started a solo career performing his own brand of Californian roots Americana. This gig is part of an extensive European solo tour to showcase Banana's new album Even Grandpas Get The Blues. The album features guest appearances from world class musicians the likes of Ry Cooder, Barry "the Fish" Melton, and David Grisman.

Described as "One of the most notable of the unsung musicians" by The Marin Independant Journal, Grandpa Banana(real name Lowell Levinger) has been a major player in the legendary west coast psychedelic and bluegrass scene for over forty years. As well as performing in his own right Banana was accompanist to Mimi Farina (the sister of Joan Baez) for over twenty years, and also played keyboards for ten years with psychedelic band Zero, who's members included Steve Kimock who toured and recorded with members of the Grateful Dead. Banana also played with Norton Buffalo of the Steve Miller band, and also with Dan Hicks and his Hot Licks.

Grandpa Banana currently plays on a regular basis with Barry "The Fish" Melton founder member of Woodstock Festival legends Country Joe & The Fish in The Barry Melton Band and with The Michael Barclay Blues Band. He plays his beloved bluegrass music with friends and neighbours including The Papermill Creek Rounders, David, Tracy and Sam Grisman, The David Thom Band, Peter Rowan and the legendary Artie Rose and associates.

Banana was initially a bluegrass musician who apart from guitar and piano also plays banjo, mandolin, mandola and bass. He began his career on the east coast, in Boston playing bluegrass banjo in the local coffee houses of the early 60's being mentored by the likes of Bill Keith and The Charles River Valley Boys.

The show starts at 8pm with a short support appearance by local favourite Stompin' Dave Allen who has organised this event. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £10 available from Dave's website www.stompinstore.com or from Dorchester TIC (01305) 267992



Youngblood's founding member Grandpa Banana

Jazz star Clare Teal comes to Bridport

THE UK's finest jazz singer, and much loved performer, Clare Teal is coming to the Electric Palace on Saturday 10th March. The huge warmth of Clare's voice was born to convey happiness. For a no-nonsense Yorkshire lass Clare Teal has the uncanny knack of triggering all kinds of unexpected emotions as she peals back the layers of song upon song. This will be an event not to be missed … buy your tickets now to guarantee an evening to remember.

Clare made a welcome return to song writing and recording with the release of her tenth album in May this year, a celebration of the Great British Songbook entitled 'Hey Ho', a quote from the stunning track 'If Love Were All' written by Noel Coward. Clare has twice been voted British Jazz Singer of the year and also the BBC's Jazz Singer of the year. Away from her singing work, Clare is becoming increasingly well known to radio listeners for her two weekly big band shows on BBC Radio 2, whether it be Clare Teal Sunday Night at 10pm or Big Band Special on Mondays at 11pm. Passionate about the music she plays on her shows, Clare is on a one woman mission to introduce younger audiences to the joys of big band music.

Clare won British Jazz Singer of the year in both 2005 and 2007, and BBC Jazz Singer of the Year 2006. Alongside her music, Clare has a successful career in broadcasting, presenting for Radio 2, she also contributes a weekly column to her beloved Yorkshire Post.

Clare Teal will be performing at the Electric Palace on Saturday 10th March with doors opening at 7pm. Tickets are £16.50 each and are available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901 or at www.seetickets.com.

Clare Teal

Jazz Café Goes back to the Rat Pack Era with Steve Conway

STEVE Conway a performer whose style has been honed by listening to the great jazz singers of the past will be at Bridport Arts Centre on Friday 10 February, 8pm.

Steve's style is mostly based on material from the Rat Pack Era. He specialises in the great jazz standards and jazz songs made famous by Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole and Sammy Davis Jnr.

Though he takes his inspiration from the past don't expect a tribute act. He makes these songs his own with his distinctive and characteristic sound.

Steve will be accompanied by Philip Clouts at the piano.

Tickets are available from the Bridport Arts Centre box office on 01308 424204, priced £8.

Mark Watson at Bridport Arts Centre

ReView by Rob Larcombe

TOP comedian Mark Watson performed a fantastic sell out show to a brilliantly receptive audience on Saturday (January 21st) night at Bridport's Arts Centre.

The Bristol born comedian headed to Bridport as part of his 'Request Stops' tour - a tour which involved visiting all the most fan-requested venues across the country.

The evening was great fun, and a particularly unique experience; Watson had plenty of interaction with the audience without getting offensive as many comedians feel the need to do. An early highlight was when the star noticed the relaxed atmosphere of the Arts Centre - a couple sat in the front row with a bottle of wine!

Much of the set was seemingly a stream of consciousness, which gave the impression of a genuinely intelligent, observant and amusing comedian really enjoying what he was doing, and where he was doing it (Watson commented on the brilliant acoustics of the Arts Centre and the intimate nature of the show). He also discussed subjects including the perils of the internet, a spat with Frankie Boyle, and somehow managed to get members of the audience to return after the interval with the most unusual food stuffs they could find!

Saturday was certainly a brilliant evening of comedy, and with further shows coming up, including a sell out performance by Jack Dee, and the Comedy Café this Friday, there are laughs to be had for everyone at the Arts Centre.

'Mesmerising' Bella Hardy to play at the Electric Palace

BELLA Hardy is one of the finest young folk acts around, singing unaccompanied ballads, or entwining her hypnotic voice with her own fiddle accompaniment to breathtaking effect. Three times nominated in the BBC Folk Awards, she has a voice marked as '*...mesmerising*' and '*...faultless*'. Her songs touch on both the fantastical, storytelling elements of Kate Bush and the lovelorn songwriting craft of Carole King, ranging in subject matter from fairytales to English working class history via childhood nostalgia, myths, murder and the human condition.

'Songs Lost & Stolen' is the much anticipated new album from Hardy, and the first to feature all her own material. Having made a name for herself in traditional English music with her debut album 'Night Visiting', and its follow-up 'In the Shadow of Mountains', it was clear that Bella was more than just a fine interpreter of folk songs. Nominated for a BBC Folk Award for the self-penned 'Three Black Feathers' from Night Visiting (later covered by Jim Moray on his award winning album Low Culture), Bella's next record In the Shadow of Mountains featured much more of her own work, including the Lennon & McCartney-esque 'Sylvie Sovay', a reimagining of folk's eponymous highwaywoman as an abused wife on the brink. It was described by English Dance & Song magazine as "destined for classic status".

Bella Hardy will be performing live at the Electric Palace on Friday, February 17th. Doors open at 7.30pm and the performance begins at 8.30pm. Tickets are £12.50 each and are available in advance from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901 or at www.seetickets.com.

First meeting of the new year for Lyme Bay Photographic Club

THE first Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting of the New Year was held on January 20th. Chairman John Wallis spoke of his pleasure to be back after the Christmas break, and warmly welcomed several prospective new members to the club.

John Foulkes from Chard came to judge the club competition 'Kitchen' and give his presentation on the 'Arctic.' Casting his critical eye over the competition entries, John Foulkes declared that some of the food photographs had made his mouth water. He said photographs should be evocative with powerful images and he was pleased to see the criteria had been met. He praised the photographers for using natural light in the interior shots, good composition, focus and strength of colours.

In the dpi section, first place went to 'Eggs' by Jennifer Hollands, who also took second and third places respectively with 'Gas Flame' and 'Kitchen Tools.' In the print section, first place went to 'The Boar's Head' by Ian Bolton, second place 'A Squeeze of Lemon' by Jane Pennington, third place was 'Pot Calling Kettle' by Valerie Handley.

For the second half of the evening, John Foulkes took us on a photographic journey to Svalbard, an archipelago in the Arctic Ocean midway between Norway and the North Pole. He showed us wonderful photographs of superb glaciers, fjords full of floating ice, seabirds, reindeer and marine animals. He then showed photographs taken in Ny-Alesund home to the new Arctic Marine Laboratory and the Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen.

The next meeting for the club is Friday, February 3rd, when club members will judge the competition 'River Scene' and Mary Bull will show her slides of Spain after the break.

For more info please call Chairman John Wallis 01297 444733 or visit our website www.lymebayphotographicclub.org

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

In the spring of 2011, I wrote in this column about Captain John Jeffcock's project to publish an anthology of new poems by serving soldiers. The book, entitled "Heroes" came out last November, as planned, in time for Remembrance Day. The 100 poems it contains are by soldiers, spouses, parents and children. Many of them will move you. A half of the Editor's proceeds from the book will go to support ABF The Soldiers' Charity. The first poem I have chosen is by 59-year-old Warrant Officer Knell of The Parachute Regiment.

STRANGE BEINGS

Who are these strange beings?
trained warriors,
my comrades,
my brothers,
whose special calling turns my world upside down?

for saving a life,
whether it be friend or foe, matters so much
more to them
than me taking one.

A feeling of guilt rushes over me
as I watch them work frantically to save a life,
a life which minutes before I had tried so hard
to take.
Torn, I will share in their sorrow if they should fail
But feel anger should they succeed,
Robbing me of my kill.

Whether saving my brothers in the heat of the
fight,
or wandering the killing ground when the
battle is done
in search of my enemy's life to save,
their task is endless.
They spend each day covered in blood,
and every night grieving
for those they couldn't save.

These are our 'medics', half soldier, half saint.

The next verse is by Mrs Elizabeth Brown (61), mother of two sons in the Army, one in bomb disposal in Afghanistan in 2011.

FROM A MOTHER

I was once your body armour
Shielded you and gave you succour.
Once protected safe within me
Now you fight alone without me
I safeguarded your well-being
Now let loose to Afghan bombing.
I wakeful try to reach afar
Connect us by a dark sky star.
Tread softly my son as you patrol
Each step that I cannot control.

Our final poem is by Captain Warren Allison of the Yorkshire Regiment (Green Howards) in Afghanistan 2010.

THE PLATOON COMMANDER

He carries his weight,
He covers the ground,
He moves over shingle,
Without even a sound.

The cold of the night,
The bite of the frost,
He's reading his map,
He hopes he's not lost!

His men in position,
The ambush is set,
Dawn is fast rising,
No time for regret.

The ambush is sprung,
The rounds begin flying,
He's winning the battle,
A soldier's heard crying.

He unloads his weapon,
He's back in the base,
Safety at last,
But not joy on his face.

He slumps with his kit,
The feeling is sorrow,
One man was lost,
They're back out tomorrow.

● If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: Poetry for Pleasure, Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Murder continues

THE 'supper and a show' fundraiser at the Marine Theatre next week is putting on an extra performance to cope with the demand for seats. Tickets are now available at the TIC for Tuesday, January 31st only. The Between Courses company of local actors is delighted to be able to extend the run to three shows – 'Murder in the Oriental Express' starts at 7.30pm nightly.

Don't miss the return of the Bridport Arts Centre Comedy Café this Friday

COMEDY returns to the Bridport Arts Centre this Friday with the first of 2012's Comedy Café nights, and tickets are selling fast.

The popular cafe nights, hosted in the intimate Art Garden Cafe, boast seven comedians, for just £5, offering something for everyone's taste.

Headlining this month's gig will be the rich comic talents of Welshman Wes Packer. Wes followed in the footsteps of Lee Mack, Peter Kay and Dylan Moran by winning the 2006 *So You Think You're Funny?* Competition. With his star on the rise Wes appeared at the Montreal Comedy Festival, on ITV's Glee Time and Paramount Comedy's The World Stands Up before taking a two-year break from comedy in 2008.

Wes returned to comedy in 2011 and is now rapidly re-establishing himself on the national circuit, with the comedy cafe catching him just at the right time as he ascends to the top.

Joining Wes on the bill will be fellow Welsh funnyman Geraint Dafydd Evans. The young stand up natural is already following in the footsteps of the night's headliner having reached the latter stages of four major competitions.

Travelling from the capital for the gig will be London's Bob 'Walshy' Walsh. Having written jokes for many TV comics for years Bob is now a stellar comedian in his own right, supporting the likes of Russell Brand and appearing at famous venues such as The Comedy Store.

Completing the line up will be Sarah Iles, dubbed "the best female comedian on the circuit" by Exeter's Edge Comedy Club, Bridport's own Gary Ball who delighted audiences at the very first comedy cafe, and one more top act yet to be confirmed.

Resident MC Tom Glover will be hosting the night's proceedings, testing out his latest new material on the Bridport crowd.

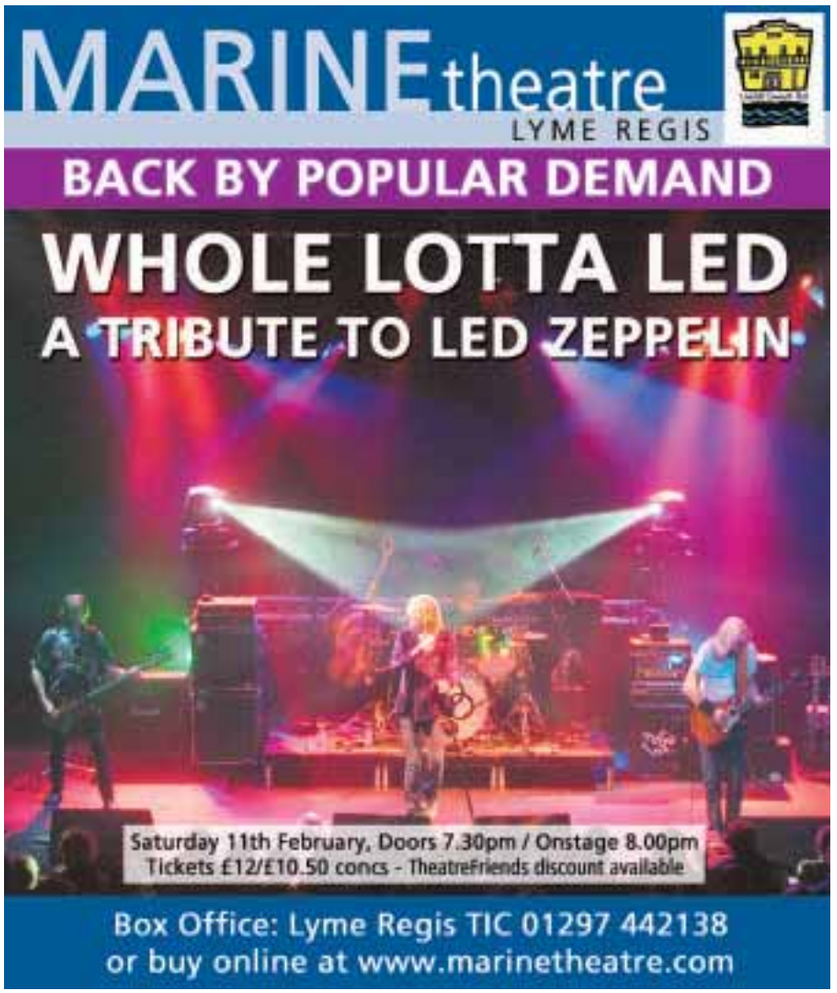
"I know a lot of people will have been disappointed to miss out on Jack Dee tickets this month so why not come and give the comedy cafe a try instead?", said Tom.

"We don't have big TV names at the comedy cafe but for just £5 you get to hopefully see the stars of tomorrow as they make their ascent to the top. Already some of our acts from last year have started to appear on mainstream TV, with October's headliner Matt Richardson appearing on E4 over Christmas.

"Our headliner this month was just breaking into TV in 2008, now after a two-year break form comedy he has returned better than ever before and I promise you will be in for a treat if you come and see him."

The BAC Comedy Cafe will be at 8pm on Friday, January 27th. Tickets are £5 adults/£3 concessions and available from the arts centre box office on 01308 424204.

HEADLINER | Wes Packer, winner of the *'So You Think You're Funny?'* award in 2006



Brain Gym

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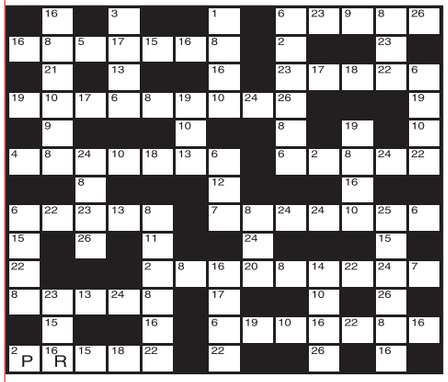
Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. A short length of hose? (4)
3. He keeps the beastly company together (8)
8. To assign to a particular grade is offensive (4)
9. Those having guests around a long time as prisoners (8)
11. What the guard is doing - not losing time! (7,5)
13. Observe it once perhaps (6)
14. A translation of Proust will produce torpidity (6)
17. Fruit the corn-stalk covers up, we hear (12)
20. This should provide adequate cover for capital (8)
21. This may recount part of an oriental exploit (4)
22. Men of chivalry making a noise among friends (8)
23. Advanced before Easter (4)

Down

1. Taking industrial action is impressive (8)
2. A hundred on trial question the verdict (7)
4. A piece of garden ought to be sufficient (6)
5. They take away the reputation of French farm equipment (10)
6. Is this performed with the aid of a spelling-book? (5)
7. Very necessary for one wishing not to lose the scent (4)
10. Diana's accused and acquitted (10)
12. Not on the wane (8)
15. He has received no commission, but it's not generally known (7)
16. Get the boat reconstructed at home (6)
18. Drag along the track (5)
19. Chastise this pet - a dog (4)

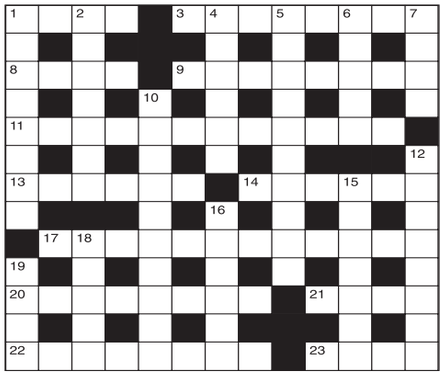
Quick Clues:

Across

1. Select (4)
3. Recommend (8)
8. Identical (4)
9. Monotony (8)
11. Unlawful (12)
13. Great comfort (6)
14. Evade (6)
17. Foreboding (12)
20. First (8)
21. Renown (4)
22. Led (8)
23. Tidings (4)

Down

1. Perhaps (8)
2. Intricate (7)
4. Cross out (6)
5. Sanguine (10)
6. Watchful (5)
7. Simple (4)
10. Quarrelsome (10)
12. Uneasy (8)
15. Mean (7)
16. Mad (6)
18. Lift (5)
19. Ostentation (4)



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CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Hard and fast; 9 Minimum; 10 Credo; 11 Loyal; 12 Untried; 13 Chaise; 15 Lay low; 18 Airways; 20 Rupee; 22 Gable; 23 Incense; 24 Straightway. Down: 2 Annoy; 3 Dimples; 4 Nimbus; 5 Facet; 6 Special; 7 Small charge; 8 Roadsweeper; 14 Acrobat; 16 Apricot; 17 Asking; 19 Arena; 21 Panda. QUICK - Across: 1 Catastrophe; 9 Fragile; 10 Cargo; 11 Event; 12 Largess; 13 Assert; 15 Gifted; 18 Holiday; 20 Sugar; 22 Limit; 23 Transit; 24 Information. Down: 2 Abate; 3 Aviator; 4 Treble; 5 Occur; 6 Harvest; 7 After a while; 8 Considerate; 14 Solomon; 16 Instant; 17 System; 19 Ditto; 21 Gusto.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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Circlegram

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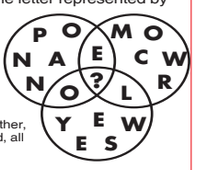

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is R. Panther, caracal, leopard, all wild cats.

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This week's big screen releases

THE DESCENDANTS [15]
WITH his wife Elizabeth (Patricia Hastie) on life support after a boating accident, Hawaiian land baron Matt King (George Clooney) takes his daughters on a trip from Oahu to Kauai to confront the young real estate broker who was having an affair with Elizabeth before her misfortune.

THE DESCENDANTS | Father and daughter George Clooney and Shailene Woodley

THE GREY [15]
IN Alaska, an oil drilling team struggle to survive after a plane crash strands them in the wild. Hunting the humans are a pack of wolves who see them as intruders. Stars Liam Neeson, Joe Anderson, and Anne Openshaw.

THE GREY | Liam Neeson fights for survival

INTRUDERS [15]
A horror/thriller centered on the origin of the monsters that are born in childhood and are passed on by the family. Stars Clive Owen, Daniel Brühl and Kerry Fox.

INTRUDERS | Clive Owen and Emma Purnell

LIKE CRAZY [12A]
BRITISH college student Anna (Felicity Jones) falls for American student Jacob (Anton Yelchin), only to be separated from him when she's banned from the U.S. after overstaying her visa.

LIKE CRAZY | Anton Yelchin and Felicity Jones are separated

MERCENARIES [18]
Andy Marlow (Robert Fucilla), an ex British S.A.S serviceman turned mercenary, is sent into the Balkans after a military coup has arisen to rescue a U.S ambassador and his aide. Also stars Billy Zane.

CINEMA LISTINGS

Friday, Jan 27th - Thursday, Feb 2nd
ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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War Horse [12A]
Daily: 19.20, plus Sat & Sun: 15.45
Plus Wed: 14.30
Hugo *in 3D* [U] Sat & Sun: 13.00
I Don't Know How She Does It [12A]
Thu: 10.30am

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A Monster In Paris *in 3D* [U]
Daily: 17.30
A Monster In Paris *in 2D* [U]
Sat & Sun: 13.20, 15.30, Tue & Wed: 15.15
Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked [U] Sat & Sun: 13.00, 15.00
Puss In Boots [U] Sat & Sun: 12.45, 15.15
The Descendants [15]
Fri-Mon: 17.45, 20.30
Tue, Wed: 12.10, 15.00, 17.45, 20.30
Thu: 17.45
The Grey [15]
Fri-Mon: 17.15, 20.10
Tue: 12.00, 14.35, 17.15, 20.10
Wed: 12.00, 14.35, 20.10
Thu: 20.10
War Horse [12A] Daily: 19.45

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War Horse [12A]
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Haywire [15]
Daily: 14.15, 16.30, 18.45, 21.00,
plus Sat & Sun: 12.00
Underworld: Awakening *in 3D* [18]
Daily: 20.40
The Sitter [15]
Fri, Mon-Thu: 15.50, 18.00, 20.10
Sat & Sun: 18.00, 20.10
The Artist [PG]
Daily: 14.30, 17.00, 19.30
Plus Sat & Sun: 12.00
Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol [U]
Fri-Tue: 14.50, 17.40, 20.35
Sherlock Holmes: A Game Of Shadows [12A]
Daily: 14.20, 17.20, 20.20
Plus Sun: 11.20am
Chronicle [TBC]
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Sat & Sun: 10.30, 12.40
Dolphin Tale *in 2D* [U] Sat: 10.10am
The Lion King *in 2D* [U] Sat: 10.00am
A Turtle's Tale: Sammy's Adventure *in 2D* [U] Sat: 10.20am

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We Need To Talk About Kevin
Thursday 26th January: 13.30, 19.30
Melancholia
Thursday 2nd & 9th February: 13.30, 19.30
Sunday 5th February: 15.00
We Have A Pope
Thursday 16th February: 13.30, 19.30
Sunday 19th February: 13.30, 19.30

Tickets cost £7, £5 for members & Concs

A Circle of Tales by PuppetCraft Theatre

PUPPETCRAFT Theatre will bring their show 'A Circle of Tales' to Uplyme Village Hall on Saturday, February 4th.

It all started so long ago that it is impossible to remember when. One day a woman, called Mazandaba, set out to search for stories, asking friendly and fierce animals if they could help, but none knew any stories, or even WHAT stories were.

A Circle of Tales is a myth from Africa retold by Gcina Mhlophe with African and English language, wood and wire puppets. A Circle of Tales is a puppet show for the whole family, perfect for everyone from 4 years old. With video projection and the sweet, sweet sounds of live music played on traditional instruments by a wonderful African musician. A music workshop will take place before the show.

Tickets for the show cost £5 for children/conc., £6 for adults, or £19 for family ticket (2+2), and are available from Uplyme PO or 01297 445050.

The Music Workshop takes place from 2.45 – 3.30pm, and costs £2.50 per child. The workshop is suitable for children aged 6 and above with parent/carer (no charge for parent/helper).

For more details on PuppetCraft Theatre visit www.puppetcraft.co.uk

GCINA Mhlophe, one of Africa's most popular storytellers, who retells A Circle of Tales

War Horse stage star at Seaton folk night

FOR the first of the new monthly Guest Nights, Jurassic Folk is very privileged to have secured an artist of the international calibre of Tim Van Eyken on Thursday, February 9th, at 8pm at the Grove, Seaton.

After three years away from the folk scene while pursuing a career in acting, Tim makes a long awaited return. He first came to prominence as the winner of the first ever BBC Young Folk Awards over 10 years ago, and since then was a member of various acclaimed groups such as Dr Faustus and Waterson:Carthy. With a new group simply called Tim van Eyken he produced the award winning album *Stiffs Lovers Holymen Thieves*. He was then lured away by the offer of the major role of "Songman" in the first stage production of "War Horse", the runaway success of the decade, and he continued on the next year in the second production. He then decided he wanted to become as proficient in this acting lark as he was in folk music and embarked upon a 2 year stint at drama school. And now at last, he is back to his roots singing and playing better than ever.

His website, www.timvaneyken.com is awaiting an update, but you can hear some of the great tracks from the CD mentioned above at www.myspace.com/timvaneyken. More details on the Jurassic Folk website, www.eastdevonfolk.org, or telephone 01297 20064. Tim Van Eyken's return has been eagerly awaited by his many fans in the South West, and advance booking is advisable. Tickets at the Advance Price of £5 can be bought at the Online Shop on the website: On the door price, if any still available, will be £6.

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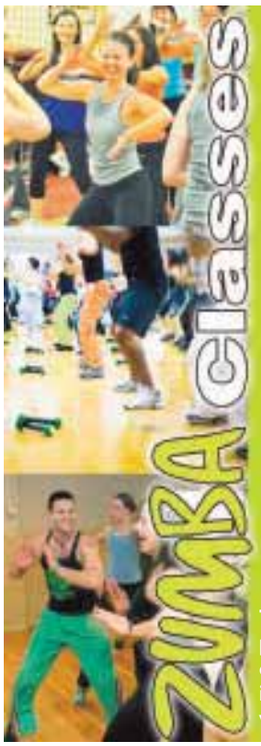

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View 2 Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25TH

UPLYME: Talk: 'Care and Management of Trees and Shrubs" (including pruning and tool care) by David Usher. At Uplyme Village Hall from 7.30pm. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society, members free, non-members £2. For more details call 01297 444034.

BRIDPORT: 'Iceland and Greenland' introduced by local traveller, photographer and raconteur David Barnikel. Organised by Friends of Bridport Museum. At St John Hall, Rax Lane from 2.30pm. £4 for members, £4.50 for guests. All welcome. Refreshments available. For more details call 01308 458703 or 459039.

THURSDAY JANUARY 26TH

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FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH

BRIDPORT: Healing at the Diamond Doorway, 54 South Street. 10-12pm. Every Friday morning. For more details call 01308 425365 or 459438.

LYME REGIS: RNLI SOS Day Fundraising Prize Bingo at the Woodmead Halls. Eyes down at 8pm. For more details call 01297 33286.

SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH

AXMINSTER: "LETS Get Together for Coffee & Tea" at the Arts Cafe, Axminster 10.30am to 12noon. Come & find out & meet with friends. Local Exchange Trading System. Contact Davina 01297 560014 for more details.

UPLYME: Barn Dance with Long Odds and Shorts Straws Band at Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30-11pm. Tickets £8 (under 12s £4) including Ploughman's supper available from Uplyme Stores, Serendip Bookshop (Lyme Regis) or call 01297 444034. BYO alcoholo, soft drinks on sale. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society.

BRADPOLE: Live music at the Bradpole Social Club with the ever popular group 'Let Me Out'. Doors open 7.30pm, members and guests welcome. Over 18s only.

HUNTER'S LODGE, NEAR AXMINSTER: Live music at the Hunters Lodge Inn from 'The Mighty Bills' acoustic country/bluegrass trio. From 8.30pm. For more details call 01297 33286.

SUNDAY JANUARY 29TH

LYME REGIS: SW Dorset LETS Tea & Trading Event in Lyme Regis. Hallet Court Hall at 1.30pm to 5pm. Local Exchange Trading System. Contact Davina 01297 560014 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Thai Foot Massage Workshop at the Diamond Doorway, South Street. 10-4pm. Costs £35. For more details visit www.holistictherapies2.co.uk or call 07974826891.

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MONDAY JANUARY 30TH

BRIDPORT: 'Donkey Sanctuary - 40 Years On' An Illustrated Talk by Dean Hancock, Visitor Facilities Manager, The Donkey Sanctuary, Sidmouth
A Golden Cap Centre Presentation.2.30pm, United Church Hall, East Street, Bridport,
Members of the public welcome. Admission £3

TUESDAY JANUARY 31ST

BRIDPORT: The Fictional World of Anthony Trollope - a study of 'Barchester Towers', 'The Way We Live Now' and 'The Prime Minister', to determine their relevance and appeal in the 21st century. This is a 6 week WEA course led by Margaret Hulmes at St John Ambulance Hall, Rax Lane, from 2.00-3.30pm. No meeting on February 28th. £34 for 6 weeks. For further information, please email bridportwea@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01308 424390.

TUES JANUARY 31ST - TUES MARCH 13TH

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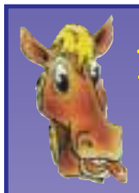

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BRIDPORT: Lorca, Dali and Bunuel - the context and consequences of their relationship. This is a 6 week WEA course led by Natividad Jimenez at St Swithun's Vestry Hall, North Allington, from 10.30-12noon. No meeting on February 29th. £34 for 6 weeks. For further information, please email bridportwea@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01308 424390.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club - Members evening with Jennifer Hollands and Jane Pennington. Followed by viewing and judging of competition 'River Scene', at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details.

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11TH

LYME REGIS: Jumble Sale at the Woodmead Halls at 2pm. Raising funds for Lyme Regis Football Club.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

BRIDPORT: LETS (Local Exchange Trading System) AGM at WI Hall in North Street at 6.30pm. Tracey Smith, author of the book 'Rubbish Ideas' will be there to give an entertaining talk. All welcome. Call 01297 560014 for more details.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16TH

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club - Internal Workshop – How to get the best from your digital camera, at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details.

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18TH

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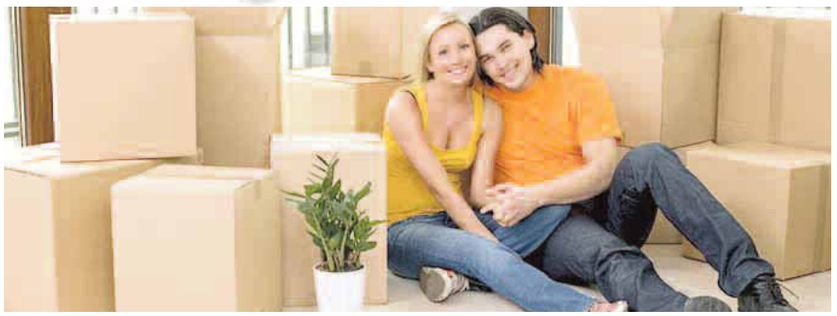

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In fact the new Swift Sport is a lot less than £15,000 as it is available for £13,499 with a very high standard equipment specification which includes auto air conditioning, cruise control, Bluetooth connectivity and USB port, rear privacy glass. 17 inch alloy wheels as well as metallic paint finish. HID Projector headlamps for low and high beam are also fitted as standard – a feature often listed as a cost option on much more expensive cars.

Chas Hallet, What Car? editor in chief comments: "The all new Suzuki Swift Sport is a brilliant junior hot hatch which is at home on all kinds of roads thanks to its strong grip, tight body control and accurate steering. Priced at £13,499 and equipped with luxury specification it's a great hot hatch that is perfect for young drivers."

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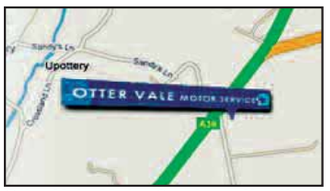

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A new object of desire: Citroën DS3 Ultra Prestige now on sale

CITROËN has introduced DS3 Ultra Prestige to its UK range just months after the model premiered at the 2011 Frankfurt Motor Show to celebrate DS3's ongoing sales success. A bold foray into the world of luxury, DS3 Ultra Prestige combines sophisticated style, premium specification and all the distinctive personality of the DS line.

Powered by a punchy THP 155 petrol engine or a fuel and CO_2 efficient e-HDi 110 diesel with Stop & Start, prices start from £20,700.

Specific to the DS line, DS3 Ultra Prestige's front seats are fitted with 'watchstrap' design seat upholstery in 'Club' leather. The leather itself is of a quality typically reserved for handcrafted 'made to order' creations. A mark of the model's exceptional quality, the front seats also sport a 'crescendo' colour effect that is entirely new to the automotive sector. Inspired by the world of fashion - and made using a process specially created for Ultra Prestige - the colour of the leather on the front seats gradually changes from white at the top of the seat back to black on the seat base.

The dashboard strip is covered in 'Alpine' white leather, embossed with the DS signature. The colour of the dials also matches the white of the interior detailing. There are ultra-thick protective mats, braided with double top-stitching in contrasting colours. As an extra touch of luxury, leather trim is also fitted to the door panels and central armrest.

Based on the already generously equipped DSport trim level, DS3 Ultra Prestige is available with a choice of two striking body colours - Polar White and Thorium Grey - and feature a sports spoiler, dark-tinted side and rear windows and 17" charcoal-grey alloy wheels. The 'Ultra Prestige' graphic that covers the model's black roof with the DS insignia, provides a range of subtle contrasts, shifting from matt to gloss as the light changes. There is also a 'Dark Chrome Signature' option, including black door mirrors with dark chrome base, dark chrome side rubbing strips, front grille surround, front fog light surrounds and an insert on the rear number plate moulding.

Adding to the DSport's equipment specification that already includes automatic digital air conditioning and a Bluetooth® enabled Hi-Fi system, DS3 Ultra Prestige gains Citroën's integrated MyWay colour satellite navigation system, rear parking sensors, automatic headlamps and windscreen wipers, electrically heated and folding door mirrors and an electrochrome rear view mirror.

DS3 Ultra Prestige is powered by a choice of two refined and efficient engines - a petrol THP 155 6-speed manual and a diesel e-HDi 110 Airdream 6-speed manual. The e-HDi 110 features Citroën's innovative micro-hybrid technology with Stop & Start, which achieves 74.4mpg on a combined cycle and emits just 99g of CO_2/km - delivering the perfect combination of elegant style and impressive eco-credentials.

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Five star cars, three star roads, one star drivers

THE IAM is renewing its call on the government to make driving on rural A-roads a mandatory part of the driving test.

IAM research shows that 82 per cent of rural fatal and serious casualties are on single carriageway roads compared with just 18 per cent on motorways and dual carriageway roads.

However the current driving test fails to take this into account. While good instructors understand that experience on a wide variety of roads in different conditions gives young people the best chance of survival, all too many merely educate up to the existing test standard. Knowledge of parking, emergency stops and low speed manoeuvres is important but dealing with high speed corners, bad weather, and overtaking are far more vital skills.

The recent report from the IAM The fast and the curious*1, found that new drivers themselves felt unprepared for real life scenarios and would welcome extra help.

The IAM has written to the road safety minister to outline its views on how it believes the government should tackle deaths and accidents of the highest risk group on our roads, young drivers. This starts with improving the driving test to include training on our most dangerous roads – single-carriageway rural A-roads.

IAM chief executive Simon Best said: "More than half the cars on our roads are rated as four or the maximum five star in European safety tests, and the figure is even higher for new cars. Our roads are also getting safer in their design*2.

"But the roads where drivers, especially young drivers, are most frequently killed and injured are still not consistently part of the driving test. The minister recently announced young drivers would be allowed to use motorways when accompanied by an instructor, but it is single carriageway A-roads where the real problem lies.

"Driver and rider error is a contributory factor in two thirds of accidents*3. We can only improve our cars and roads so far. The challenge now is to improve the humans that drive them, to continue our outstanding record of road safety."

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PERRY STREET LEAGUE WITH HOWARD LARCOMBE

Uplyme dumped out after penalty shoot-out drama

DOUBLE: Ross Pickett scored two cracking goals but Beaminster Reserves went down 5-4.

DECIDER: Aaron Cleal netted what proved to be the winner for Lyme Regis Reserves at the Davey Fort.

IN FORM: Phil Hussey was back amongst the goals as Netherbury won 3-1 at struggling Ilminster Colts.

CHALLENGE CUP – Round 1
South Petherton 2 Winsham Utd 0
'I FIRMLY believe we will finish runners-up to Lyme Regis" was South Petherton player-manager Gordon Childs' assessment of his team after their recent improvement continued with a comfortable 2-0 win over Winsham United in the Challenge Cup first round tie at Lightgate Lane on Saturday.

Pethy have certainly put their unusually rocky start behind them and extended their unbeaten run to seven games thanks to goals from Adam Bourne and debutant Greg Howe.

Scotsman Howe is an interesting signing. "He's just moved to the village, but had a contract up in Scotland with Premier Division Dunfermline Athletic" said Childs.

◆ **Quarter-Final draw**; South Petherton v Perry Street, Crewkerne Town v Farway United, Lyme Regis v Combe Res, Beaminster v Ilminster Res.

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP – Last 16
Lyme Bantams 1 South Peth Res 5
A SHOCK looked on the cards as Lyme Bantams, mid-table in Division Four, led Division Two title-favourites South Petherton 1-0 at half-time at the Woodroffe School.

"We should have been 3-0 up at the break," said Lyme boss Chris Simpson. But normal service was resumed after the restart with ex-Lyme favourite Lee Caines on the score sheet as Pethy, eventually, cruised home.

Simpson picked out central midfielder Rhys Paterson as his Man-of-the-Match.

Waytown Hounds 1 Hawkchurch 2
WAYTOWN Hounds' mid-season slump continued as their 11-game unbeaten home run was surprisingly ended by Hawkchurch United.

The Hawks took the lead in the 10th minute through Ollie Schultz. But the Hounds were soon level when Matt Read did well to set-up Tom Menaldino who bagged his 25th goal of the season.

The visitors restored their lead through Gavin Herrod before half-time and held on after the restart to earn a quarter-final at Misterton Reserves.

W & M Chinnock Res 2 Uplyme 2
(Chinnock won 5-4 on pens)
THE day's biggest cup shock occurred at muddy Oxleaze where Uplyme, one of the favourites to lift the trophy, fell at the hands of Jeckyll & Hyde outfit West & Middle Chinnock Reserves.

It was goaless at half-time with the East Devon side guilty of missing what manager Rob Combe described as: "real guilt-edged chances".

The second 45 began in dramatic fashion with some comical Uplyme defending presenting ex-Wellington Town striker Mark Cawley with the opener with less than 10 seconds on the clock!

PSL Golden boot holder Ashley Cooper netted a second five minutes later with Uplyme in disarray.

But The Swallows, who enjoyed large periods of possession throughout the game, showed their battling qualities and leveled with goals from Steve Gillan, a crisp drive from the edge of the area, and Adam Neale who got the faintest of touches to a Gillan free-kick 15 minutes from time.

But the deciding goal wouldn't materialise and the teams were forced into a penalty shoot-out. James Beddows had the chance to win it for Uplyme but he skied his spot-kick over the bar.

So it went to sudden-death and the Chinnocks' squeezed home when Gillan's effort was saved.

◆ **Quarter-Final draw**; *Dowlish & Donyatt v Luso-Chard, West & Middle Chinnock Res v South Petherton Res, Misterton Res v Hawkchurch United, Millwey Rise Res v Crewkerne Rangers.*

PREMIER

Beaminster 3 W & M Chinnock 1
BEAMINSTER regained second spot in the table despite fielding a depleted side for the visit of relegation favourites West & Middle Chinnock.

"We had 15 players unavailable and were down to the bare bones" said manager Sean Annetts.

Annetts gave starts to three 16-year-olds; Callum Sorrell, Josh Baker and Liam Annetts and all three played their part in an impressive all-round team performance.

After a tight opening quarter of an hour Murray Legg gave the hosts the lead. This was doubled with a clever strike from Dean Newman, pressed into service despite still carrying a long term knee injury, who lifted the ball over his marker before neatly slotting home a low drive.

Youngster Sorrell added a third to give the Rainbows a somewhat flattering 3-0 half-time lead. "They (Chinnock) must have been very disappointed to have been three down it was much tighter than that" said Annetts.

Ollie Hutchings did pull one back for the visitors after the restart and Baker struck a post for the hosts but the two-goal cushion proved to be enough.

Crewkerne Town 5 Ilminster Res 1
CREWKERNE Town's reaction to last week's horror show in the County cup was a 5-1 drubbing of Ilminster Reserves at Henhayes.

Ed Butcher (2), Adam Dawe (2) and veteran Pete Lemmey grabbed the Tigers' goals with Mike Whitefield netting for the well-beaten Blues.

Perry Street 7 Farway United 1
THERE was a shock score line at Tatworth where Perry Street inflicted the biggest defeat on Farway United in exactly three years and jumped off the foot of the table in the process.

The Mothers led through a strike from player-manager Ian Hilton at the break but it was one-way traffic after the restart as Ben Stevens (2), Jason Newbury (2), Kieran Bailey and Craig Studley joined the goal parade.

It was 7-0 before Matt Reed scored the lonely looking Farway consolation.

DIVISION ONE
Ilminster Colts 1 Netherbury 3
AFTER a seven-game run stretching back to early December, Netherbury finally got that winning feeling back after a comfortable 3-1 victory over bottom-of-the-table Ilminster Colts.

The game could not have started better for the Amber when John Kingston picked unleashed a dipping 25-yard shot which flew into the back of the net in the second minute.

Further chances were created in the opening exchanges, but Netherbury could not quite apply the finishing touch until a calm finish from Hussey, who latched onto a long goal kick from Mark Cuff doubled the lead.

Ilminster responded in the second-half and put the Ambers under some pressure . However they were hit on the break when Hussey netted his second with an accomplished finish.

Netherbury conceded a goal from promising youngster Taylor Jefferson with 15 minutes remaining and had to withstand some late pressure, but came out on top.

Manager Andy Loudon said: "It's a relief to finally get a win under our belts and I'm really pleased with how the lads did. We now have games against teams around us in the league, so hopefully we can get a few more".

Lyme Regis Res 5 Beaminster Res 4
THE game of the day was probably at the Davey Fort where Lyme Regis Reserves and Beaminster Reserves ignored the blustery wind and traded nine goals in a superb advert for the Perry Street League in what could yet be a warm-up for the Dorset Junior Cup Final in April.

The visitors took the lead in 14th minute when Ben Whittington was penalised for a foul and Josh Hunter sent Lyme 'keeper Will Meech the wrong way from the penalty spot for his 21st goal of the season.

But the Seasiders were level soon after when the Beaminster defence failed to deal with a long downfield punt from Meech and teenager Will Mowbray, who had a superb first-half, surged onto the loose ball before expertly smashing a hooked effort that flashed past stand-in 'keeper Tom Cowie and into the roof of the net.

Three minutes later Dan Thirlwell linked well with Mowbray who sidefooted an effort from 15 yards that crept under Cowie who had been forced to don the gloves when regular custodian Tom Fry broke his collar bone at a goalkeeping training session at Weymouth FC on Friday evening.

The second-half was only two minutes old when Whittington had a low shot well saved by Cowie. From resulting corner Whittington was denied again – this time by the post.

The Beaminster reaction was instant and magnificent. Left winger Tim Carstairs clipped in a cross to Ross Pickett who, without hesitating, smashed a 25-yard volley that zipped over the bewildered Meech for one of the best goals seen at the Davey Fort for many years.

Back came the Seasiders. A Mowbray corner fell to defender Will Swales who had a goal-bound effort blocked but the rebound fell to Aaron Marshall who swiveled well before slotting home to restore the lead at 3-2.

The game moved into it's last half-hour but the goals kept coming.

Pickett showed all his experience honed during his days with Hendon and Slough Town to find space at the far post where he skillfully guided a header back over Meech and into the corner.

Lyme regained the lead 15 minutes from time when substitute Ryan Fifer latched onto a through ball before lifting it over the onrushing Cowie with the outside of his boot.

Beaminster appeared have salvaged a point in the 81st minute when Meech was deceived by a Carstairs' cross-come shot that sailed over his head and nestled in the far corner.

But Lyme weren't done and Aaron Cleal, another of manager-for-the-day Robin Townsend's substitutes, cantered through the Rainbows' back line and drilled home a fine shot from 20 yards to clinch the win.

DIVISION FOUR
Chard United Res 4 Uplyme Reserves 3
DESPITE tasting defeat at promotion-chasing Chard United Reserves, Uplyme Reserves' mid-season improvement continued at Jocelyn Park.

The hosts, with goals from veteran Andy Contreras and Dan Wilcox, were in control at 2-0 at the interval.

But the visitors battled back to level with goals from debutant striker Jamie Prosser and a Mark Taylor penalty.

Chard responded with further goals from Contreras and Ian Banfield leaving Brett James' goal from a deflected late cross counting for little.

Prosser and his Dad Rob, in midfield and then at full-back grabbed the plaudits from joint-manager Kieron Borgeat.

RESULTS - January 21st
SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE CUP
Misterton 3 Shepton Beauchamp 1
CHALLENGE CUP – R1
South Petherton 2 Winsham United 0
BILL BAILEY CUP – R1
Winsham Res 1 Forton Rangers Reserves 2
◆ **Quarter-Final draw**; Shepton Beau Res v Waytown Hounds, W & M Chinnock Res v Millwey Rise Res, Luso-Chard v Drimpton, Forton Rangers Res v Combe A.

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP – Last 16
Chard Rangers 1 Crewkerne Rangers 3
Drimpton 0 Dowlish & Donyatt 3
Hinton 1 Misterton Reserves 2
Luso-Chard W Shepton Beau Res O
Lyme Bantams 1 South Peth Res 5
Millwey Res 7 Barrington Res 1
Waytown Hounds 1 Hawkchurch 2
W & M Chinnock Res 2 Uplyme 2
(Chinnock won 5-4 on pens)

PREMIER
Beaminster 3 West & Middle Chinnock 1
Crewkerne Town 5 Ilminster Reserves 1
Perry Street 7 Farway United 1

DIVISION ONE
Forton Rangers P Perry Street Res P
Ilminster Colts 1 Netherbury 3
Lyme Regis Res 5 Beaminster Res 4

DIVISION FOUR
Chard Utd Res 4 Uplyme Reserves 3
Combe B 0 Ilminster A 4
Hawkchurch Res 1 Farway United Res 5
Thorncombe Res 4 Crewk Rangers Res 1

FIXTURES - January 28th
(all 2pm unless stated)

CHALLENGE CUP QF
Beaminster v Ilminster Res
Crewkerne v Farway Utd
Lyme Regis v Combe Res
S Petherton v Perry Street

KEN HODGES CUP QF
Chard Rang Res v Thorn Res
Chard Utd Res v Ilminster A
Crewk Rang Rs v Farway Res
Lyme Bantams v Hawkc Res

DIVISION ONE
Barrington v Misterton
Forton v Shepton Beau
Netherbury v Lyme Res
Norton Ath v Ilminster Colts
Perry St Res v Millwey Rise

DIVISION TWO
Misterton Res v Dowlish
Pymore v Hinton
Thorncombe v S Peth Res
Uplyme v Chard Rangers

DIVISION THREE
Combe A v Winsham Res
Drimpton v Luso-Chard
Hawkchurch v Forton Res
Millwey Res v Chard Utd
Shepton Res v Chinnck Res

AS THEY STAND

PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lyme Regis	12	12	0	0	62	14	36
Beaminster	13	9	2	2	34	14	29
Winsham United	13	8	2	3	37	24	26
Ilminster Town Res	10	6	2	2	21	17	20
Crewkerne Town	10	5	3	2	32	15	18
South Petherton	9	4	2	3	23	16	14
Combe Reserves	13	3	4	6	19	35	13
Farway United	12	3	1	8	25	35	10
Merriott Rovers	12	2	2	8	13	42	8
Perry Street	13	1	2	10	24	48	5
W & M Chinnock	12	1	2	9	16	45	5

DIV ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Shepton Beau	12	9	3	0	30	10	30
Forton Rangers	13	9	1	3	38	22	28
Millwey Rise	10	9	0	1	42	10	27
Misterton	12	8	2	2	30	20	26
Lyme Regis Res	13	7	1	5	22	29	22
Netherbury	14	6	1	7	34	33	19
Beaminster Res	12	3	2	7	25	29	11
Perry Street Res	11	3	2	6	17	30	11
Barrington	11	2	1	8	19	25	7
Norton Athletic	13	2	1	10	16	41	7
Ilminster Colts	11	1	0	10	14	38	3

DIV TWO	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Crewkerne Res	11	8	1	2	35	18	25
Dowlish & Don	14	7	4	3	41	28	25
S.Petherton Res	10	7	2	1	41	20	23
Chard Rangers	12	6	4	2	30	23	22
Pymore	13	7	0	6	44	31	21
Thorncombe	12	6	2	4	35	29	20
Uplyme	13	5	4	4	46	27	19
Crewk Rangers	12	4	1	7	29	36	13
Charmouth	13	2	3	8	21	42	9
Misterton Res	11	2	3	6	23	45	9
Hinton	13	1	0	12	13	59	2*

DIV THREE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chard United	12	9	2	1	34	17	29
Waytown Hounds	12	8	2	2	39	20	26
W&M Chinn Res	11	6	1	4	47	38	19
Millwey Rise Res	12	5	3	4	42	36	18
Luso-Chard	12	5	1	6	35	31	16
Winsham Utd Res	10	3	3	4	27	30	12
Combe A	9	3	3	3	24	27	12
Forton Reserves	11	3	3	5	25	44	12
Shepton Beau Res	12	3	2	7	21	28	11
Hawkchurch Utd	12	2	4	6	31	36	10
Drimpton	13	2	4	7	33	51	10

DIV FOUR	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ilminster Town A	12	9	1	2	51	15	28
Chard United Res	14	8	2	4	40	38	26
Thorncombe Res	11	7	3	1	29	13	24
Combe B	12	7	2	3	36	19	23
Barrington Res	11	5	4	2	38	22	19
Farway Utd Res	11	5	4	2	29	19	19
Lyme Bantams	11	6	0	5	40	23	18
Crewk Rang Res	13	4	1	8	37	43	13
Uplyme Reserves	14	4	1	9	25	69	13
Hawkchurch Res	12	1	1	10	22	54	4
Chard Rang Res	12	1	1	10	20	52	4

(* = Points deducted)

PSL LEADING SCORERS

***Premier**: J.Bond (Lyme Regis) 24, R.Hebditch (Ilminster Town, 19 for S.Petherton) 19, Ad Caddy (Lyme Regis) 16.*
***Division One**: S.Dibling (Millwey Rise) 28, T.Emmett (Millwey Rise) 26, J.Hunter (Beaminster Res) 21 .*
***Division Two**: S.Packer (Thorncombe) 19, L.Mears (Dowlish & Donyatt) 15, G.Fowler (Uplyme) 13.*
***Division Three**: T.Menaldino (Waytown Hounds) 25, A.Cooper (W & M Chinnock Res)16, I.Costa (Luso-Chard) 13.*
***Division Four**: P.Peacock (Lyme Bantams) 26, B.Brister (Ilm A) 12, G.Jenkins)Ilm A), I.Banfield (Chard United Reserves) 11.*

■ **WHERE THERE'S A WILL**: Lyme Reserves' Man-of-the-Match Will Mowbray steadies himself before smashing home the Seasiders opener against Beaminster Reserves at the Davey Fort on Saturday. ***Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE***

RUGBY ROUND-UP

WITH KEITH JENKIN

Depleted Weymouth dig out win

OF the eight clubs in my patch no less than seven had away games on Saturday last.

The exception was Dorchester so I took myself off there to watch them play bottom of the table Blandford.

DORCHESTER 86 BLANDFORD 3

THERE was a stiff wind blowing down the ground at Dorchester, and the visitors chose to have it at their backs initially.

The home side enjoyed the lion's share of possession in the first few minutes. They took the lead when, having run a speculative kick back, they recycled on halfway, centre Lee Harvey dummied and broke.

The offload came to James Baker on the twenty five. He still had work to do, but did it and scored close to the posts. Bament's kick was successful and Dorchester were seven points to the good.

Having scored the first, Baker then set up the second a few minutes later. He latched on to a loose ball inside his own half and made good ground before being checked on the Blandford twenty five. Read was up in support however. He took the off load and scored some 15 yards in from touch.

Bament's kick defied the elements to bisect the posts and Dorchester were 14-0 ahead after a quarter of an hour.

Blandford had their first chance some five minutes later after Dorchester were, I thought, fortunate not to see yellow after a high tackle. They duly converted the resultant penalty from halfway but their relief was only momentary for they missfielded the restart. The turnover came, the ball was spread wide to winger Baker. He was checked just short but recycled and Bament was able to force his way over on the narrow side.

This try was unconverted, as was the next, touched down by lock Broadbent who took advantage of some recycled possession and rode a couple of tackles before crashing over.

Dorchester were in complete control now, being bigger, stronger, faster and more skilful than their opponents, and another try came in short order.

They recycled possession on halfway and hooker, Minors, took advantage of some weak tackling to get over by the posts. Bament converted to take the score to 31-3.

Things were getting far too easy for the home side now. A Blandford kick did not find touch. Read ran the ball back, passed to Croft and he ran to the posts unopposed. Balment's kick was again successful and his side scored twice more before the break.

The first went to Croft who profited from an adroit chip by his scrum half, and the second went to centre lee Harvey who slipped his tackler and scored by the posts. Balment converted that one to bring up the half century for Dorchester before the halfway stage.

The second half started where the first had left off, with a Dorchester try coming after just a couple of minutes. Idris Croft received set piece possession wide on the right and did an "in and out" on his marker before touching down in the corner.

A second came within 10 minutes of the restart when, from a lineout close in, they peeled and number seven Newsam got over. Bament converted, taking the score to 62-3.

Dorchester then "went off the boil" quite understandably. There was a bit of "handbagging" and a further interruption came when a visiting player had to be stretchered off with a leg injury that looked serious.

More tries came in the last 10 minutes however. They broke from a lineout on their opponents' 10-yard line and number eight, Mitchell, had the strength to get over.

They then thrust to their opponents'line, won a penalty, took the quick tap and Croft scored by the posts. Bament converted, taking the score to 74-3. He then charged a kick down on halfway and ran to the posts from 50 yards. He converted also but even at 81-3 it was not the end.

Blandford were a pretty static bunch by now and, from the restart, Dorchester went the full length of the field to complete the scoring.

The final whistle went soon after to release Blandford, who had never given up, from their agonies.

SWANAGE & WAREHAM 4th 24
DORCHESTER 3rd 12

THE Dorchester third side travelled "more in hope than in expectation" as the poem has it and then, as is their wont, conceded early points to be 17 points adrift by the end of the first quarter.

From then on, things improved markedly. The visitors began to play their way back into the encounter and the remainder of the half was scoreless.

The home side increased their lead early in the second period with a push-over try that they converted, but subsequently Dorchester got on top and scored tries through Smith and Skidmore, one of which was converted as they finished the game strongly.

SHERBORNE 2nd 17 WEYMOUTH 19

THIS was a win dug out of considerable adversity by Weymouth.

Their injury list has now reached such proportions that only some half a dozen of their first selections took the field, and more injuries came their way during this Dorset & Wilts Division One encounter.

At first all went well. They took the lead before the game was 10 minutes old with a try by out half Nick Sheppard that he converted himself.

The home side came straight back however and took advantage of an injury that left Weymouth a man short in their back row.

A converted try was the result after they had broke from a scrum close to the Weymouth line in the absence of flanker Morris.

The visitors were going well at this stage however and regained the lead after they had turned over possession and Sheppard had dummied his way through the defence. He was checked but popped the ball to Gibson who made the line.

The try remained unconverted but Weymouth scored again before the halfway stage. They set the position with a lineout peel before spreading the ball wide to Wilson who cut a good angle and made the line. Sheppard converted this one to take the score to 7-19 at the halfway stage.

The second-half was something of a nightmare for the Weymouth camp. Having lost one prop early in the game, they now lost another and conceded an early unconverted try to boot.

Winger Murphy then had to see at first hand life at the rock face and, credit to him, he coped. His side still had to play the final 15 minutes with uncontested scrums however, and home pressure mounted and mounted. Stout defence, the willingness to tackle, get up and tackle again stood them in good stead however.

Sherborne did score a second unconverted try to take themselves into penalty goal range but Weymouth kept knocking their runners over during the final quarter without conceding kickable penalties.

WARMINSTER 29 BRIDPORT 0

IT was a much changed Bridport side that travelled to Warminster, a side who are on something of a roll currently.

At first, all went well and the first 35 minutes of the game remained scoreless, with the visitors competing very effectively.

A yellow card, awarded against them for a dangerous tackle proved to be their undoing for, while they were down to 14 men, the home side scored two tries. They converted one of them and consequently led 12-0 at the break.

A further touchdown, converted this time, took Warminster clear just after the break and, although Bridport continued to give as good as they got, particularly in the area of the breakdown, the home side stretched away with two unconverted tries in the final quarter to seal a bonus point win.

PREVIEW

DORCHESTER travel to promotion challengers SHERBORNE on Saturday next and will of course, face a hard game there.

I remember watching the earlier game at Dorchester and felt that, although the visitors' eight did enough in the final quarter to edge their side to the 13-9 win Sherborne were, as a side, not really convincing.

I do have the feeling that, if the Dorchester pack can achieve parity of possession for the full 80 minutes, their side can win this one.

It will not be easy, for Sherborne need every point they can get if they are to achieve promotion by right and without having to play off.

WEYMOUTH have what is, on paper anyway, a far easier task in prospect when they entertain ELLINGHAM & RINGWOOD 2nd.

Their opponents lie near the bottom of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) and were beaten by the best part of 40 points in the earlier fixture.

The home side will be disappointed if they do not achieve a bonus point win by four thirty pm on Saturday, although in view of their current injury list, I guess that a win of any sort would be accepted.

BRIDPORT can certainly expect an easier game than the one they encountered last time out. They are at home to SALISBURY 2nd, a side who lie at the bottom of the division and have not inconvenienced many thus far this season.

The home back division is beginning to knit well and I think that they will, if they play to their capabilities, make hay against this opposition.

PUDDLETOWN travel to take on WEYMOUTH 2nd, a side who narrowly bested them at Puddletown earlier.

I do think that Puddletown have improved as a unit very considerably since then and that they will reverse that score line.

Weymouth who, having been promoted at last season's end, have certainly coped well this season. They have developed one or two disciplinary issues in recent days however that do not help their cause at all and they may struggle to cope with Puddletown's back division.

As to the second sides, Dorchester seconds, looking for a promotion place as they are, should do their prospects no harm at all. They visit Verwood, a side near the bottom of their division. Bridport seconds too should come back from their Blandford counterparts with a win.

In division four Dorchester thirds have a difficult job on hand against Bournemouth 4th, home advantage notwithstanding, while Weymouth thirds should really prosper at bottom club New Milton thirds.

Fixtures - 28th January

Bridport v Salisbury 2nd; Bridport 2nd v Blandford 2nd (away); Chard v Bristol Harlequins; Dorchester v Sherborne (away); Dorchester 2nd v Verwood (away); Dorchester 3rd v Bournemouth 4th; Honiton v Hayle; Puddletown v Weymouth 2nd (away); Sidmouth v Clevedon; Weymouth v Ellingham & Ringwood 2nd; Weymouth 2nd v Puddletown; Weymouth 3rd v New Milton 3rd (away).

BEES NEWS: Three point boost after nine-goal thriller

RADSTOCK 4 BRIDPORT 5 - ATT: 66
Toolsation Division One

BRIDPORT survived a last minute scare to take all three points in the basement battle that sees the Bees ease ten points clear of the bottom two teams.

Having turned a 3-1 interval deficit into a 5-3 lead Bridport were pegged back to one goal seven minutes from time before in the dying seconds they got that bit of luck that maybe has not always gone their way this season.

Defending a free kick on the edge of their area keeper Sam Filkins had already committed himself to a shot that was blocked. The ball ricocheted around before striking Ryan Hayter and falling to a Radstock forward who, fortunately miskicked, and the ball bobbled into Filkins hands as he lay on the ground.

With a strong, swirling wind, the game was littered with errors and surprises, but both sides produced good skills in an entertaining match.

Playing with the wind, the hosts got off to a great start on six minutes when Filkins was robbed as he was ushering the ball back into his area, and although he managed to delay the inevitable, eventually Duane Plummer slotted the ball past covering defenders.

However the Bees equalised two minutes later in similar circumstances. Tom Richardson who worked hard up front on his own, made a run down the right and crossed into the area where keeper Dan Jackson and a defender distracted by Russell Legg's run, missed the ball allowing the midfielder, just back from suspension, to roll the ball into an empty net.

The Miners went back in front on 18 minutes with another wind assisted goal; Leroy Swabey's inswinging corner deceiving everyone as it nestled into the far top corner of the net.

Bridport hit back once more and were unlucky not to equalise when Matt Condliffe's superb run and cross was met perfectly by Richardson but his powerful header was foiled by an equally brilliant save by Jackson.

Radstock were given the opportunity to increase their lead on the half hour when they were awarded a penalty when Joe Charles and Chris Senior were adjudged to have brought down an opponent between them, but Filkins made a great save diving to his left.

They did however make the Bees pay for some slack marking soon after when Noah Keets was allowed to turn in the box and fire into the far corner for a 3-1 lead.

With the wind at their backs in the second half it took Bridport just 30 seconds to pull a goal back, another Condliffe run and cross producing the ideal ball where Jamie Morgan, coming in from the left, headed home at the far post.

Richardson was again unlucky a minute later with a header that flew just wide but Legg brought the scores level with his second of the game on 49 minutes when he came with a late run at Dan Wise's corner to bundle the ball home at the far post.

Stung by Bridport's riposte, Radstock hit back and they dominated the next ten minutes and the Bees were lucky when Hayter's sliced clearance across his goal struck Keets, but the midfielder snatched at his shot which flew well wide.

Bridport took the lead on 70 minutes when Condliffe beat the offside trap and neatly lobbed the ball over the keeper as he came to close down on the angle.

Soon after Chris Luke made his debut replacing Legg, before Mitch Conning who had replaced Morgan on 67 minutes added Bridport's fifth with 15 minutes to go when he turned well in a crowded penalty box to fire into the corner of the net for his first goal for the Bees since signing at the beginning of the year.

Radstock however would not lie down and pulled one back with seven minutes left after Hayter gave away a free-kick on the edge of the area; catching the Bees defence off guard with a quick routine that saw Plummer score with a shot from 15 yards.

They might have equalised just after had a home player not tried to help an on target free kick on its way and divert it wide.

Then down to 10 men having had Man-of-the-Match Chris Senior stretchered off with a calf injury following a tackle, Bridport survived the late scare and have opened up an eight point gap on Radstock who have a game in hand.

Premier (bottom)	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Street	22	7	2	13	32	43	23
BRIDPORT	**21**	**7**	**1**	**13**	**30**	**56**	**22**
Barnstaple Town	19	5	2	12	27	44	17
Radstock Town	20	4	2	14	20	42	14
Corsham Town	22	3	3	16	17	45	12
Sherborne Town	20	3	3	14	18	56	12

Thomas the Bees tormentor

BRIDPORT RESERVES 2 STURMINSTER MARSHALL 2

BRIDPORT Reserves manager Steve Crabb was pleased with his sides draw after they had been outplayed by a very slick Sturminster Marshall side.

"A draw was about all we deserved. They played very well and dominated large passages of the game, particularly in the second half without creating too much.

"Not to take anything away from their performance but we weren't at the top of our game, but you have to give credit where its due, and we are happy in the circumstances with a point" said Crabb.

The Bees went ahead against the run of play after 20 minutes when good work by Don McAllister played in Gary Bulman. His shot was parried by Stur keeper Adam Tong but brother Carl Bulman was on hand to bury the rebound.

Gareth Thomas' speed gave the home defence problems all afternoon and he sprinted on to a diagonal ball to fire an unstoppable shot past Jamie Fry for the equaliser.

The visitors dominated the start of the second half, but Bridport were thrown a lifeline on the hour when Tristan Gale was brought down in the box and Ben Clarke fired home the resultant penalty.

However Sturminster were not to be denied and rounded Fry before netting again.

Crabb added: "Sometimes you can only play as well as your opponents allow you to.

"The lads were disappointed afterwards but a point was not bad really as they played very well."

◆ **BRIDPORT A lost ground in the chase for promotion from Dorset League Two when they were soundly beaten by other promotion hopefuls Milborne Sports 3-0 at St Mary's.**

One down at the break they conceded two more in the second half and now slip to fifth.

Lethargic Beaminster lose ground

BEAMINSTER 2 YEOVIL AND SHERBORNE 2ND 2

BEAMINSTER Ladies Hockey team lost ground on leaders Wareham & Swanage when they let slip an early two goal lead and, in the end, were lucky to hold on to share the points.

Having surrendered top spot last week when losing 2-1 to the East Dorset side, they fell four points behind after Swanage & Wareham walloped Bournemouth 4th's.

Beaminster started well and went ahead in the fifth minute when Izzy Davies sidestepped a defender inside the D before neatly flicking the ball across the keeper and high into the net.

They doubled their lead on 13 minutes when Lucy Timbrell had the easiest of tasks from close range after the visitors failed to clear the ball inside their D.

The goal seemed to spur Yeovil into action and some strong running down the flanks and from midfield soon put pressure on the Beaminster defence, and Sophie Stewart was forced into a fine double save two minutes later.

However she was beaten on 17 minutes when a run from midfield was finished with a hard cross shot to reduce the deficit.

From then in Yeovil took command and controlled large chunks of the remainder of the game to the point that Beaminster were pinned in their own half for the first 20 minutes of the second half.

Although the hosts finally managed to get over the halfway line they conceded an equaliser on 59 minutes to a half hit shot that found its way through a crowded D and just inside the post.

Yeovil continued to hold the upper hand but Beaminster did manage to create some chances of their own. However they were indebted to Stewart two minutes from time who produced a superb point blank save to earn them a point.

This was not Beaminster's finest performance, but they will be encouraged by the fact that they held on for a draw, and will look to get back to form when they travel to Bournemouth 3rd's next Saturday.

◆ **BEAMINSTER**: *Stewart, Andrews, Craddock, Hughes, S Davies, Aplin, White, Donovan, Timbrell, I Davies, Crawford*

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That's entertainment! Nine-goal classic at the Fort

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LYME Regis Reserves emerged with all three points after one of the most entertaining games of the season at the Davey Fort.

Man-of-the-Match Will Mowbray scored twice in the first-half as the Seasiders came from a goal down against Beaminster Reserves who themselves equalised three times in a fixture that belied the swirling coastal wind.

The Lyme Regis first team had no fixture but return to action on Saturday with a home Challenge Cup quarter-final against Combe Reserves.

Meanwhile the Reserves, now up to fifth in the Division One table, head off to Netherbury.

Lyme Bantams led Division Two high-fliers for South Petherton Reserves for 55 minutes of their Daisy Hutchings Cup tie at the Woodroffe School. But the Seasiders, currently midtable in Division Four, couldn't hold on as Pethy cruised through to the next round after a 5-1 victory.

The Bantams turn their attention to the Kenny Hodges Cup and a home quarter-final against Hawkchurch Reserves.

South Petherton's opponents in the Daisy Hutchings cup quarter-final looked, on paper, likely to be Uplyme.

But the Swallows, after being held to a 2-2 draw after extra-time, were surprisingly overturned by Division Three outfit West & Middle Chinnock Reserves in the mud at Oxleaze.

Uplyme entertain Chard Rangers at Venlake on Saturday whilst the Reserves, fresh from a promising performance in a 4-3 defeat at Division Four title-chasers Chard United Reserves, have no fixture.

◆ *There was a win double to cheer from the Lyme Regis Youth teams. The under 12s, with Finlay McLean and Cody Bowditch bagging the goals, turned in a superb performance to beat Dorset Division Two leaders Shaftesbury Rockies 2-1.*

Meanwhile Fred Parsons (2) and Declan Ellis scored for the under 14s in a 3-0 win at Broadstone.

The Seasiders, still second in the Dorset Division One table visit third-placed Bridport for a local-derby on Sunday.

Sunday's fixtures; Lyme U12 v Dorchester Town Stars, Bridport v Lyme U14s.

■ **1-0:** Lyme Bantams' striker Pete Peacock (9) opens the scoring in Saturday's Daisy Hutchings Cup tie at the Woodroffe School. But the Perry Street League Division Four battlers couldn't hold on and opponets South Petherton Reserves, riding high in Division Two, surged to a 5-1 win. ***Photo by JON MATTHEWS***

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